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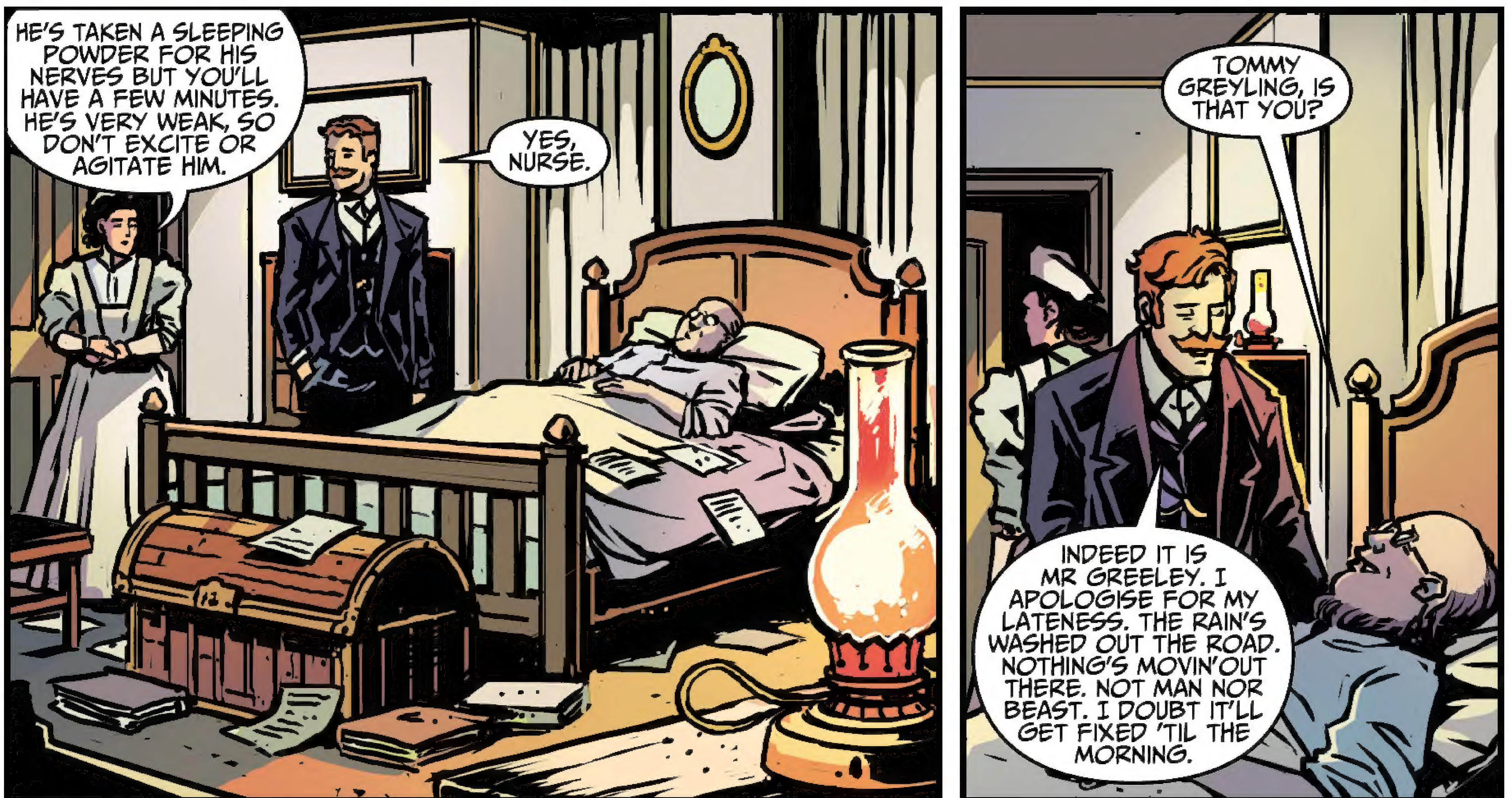
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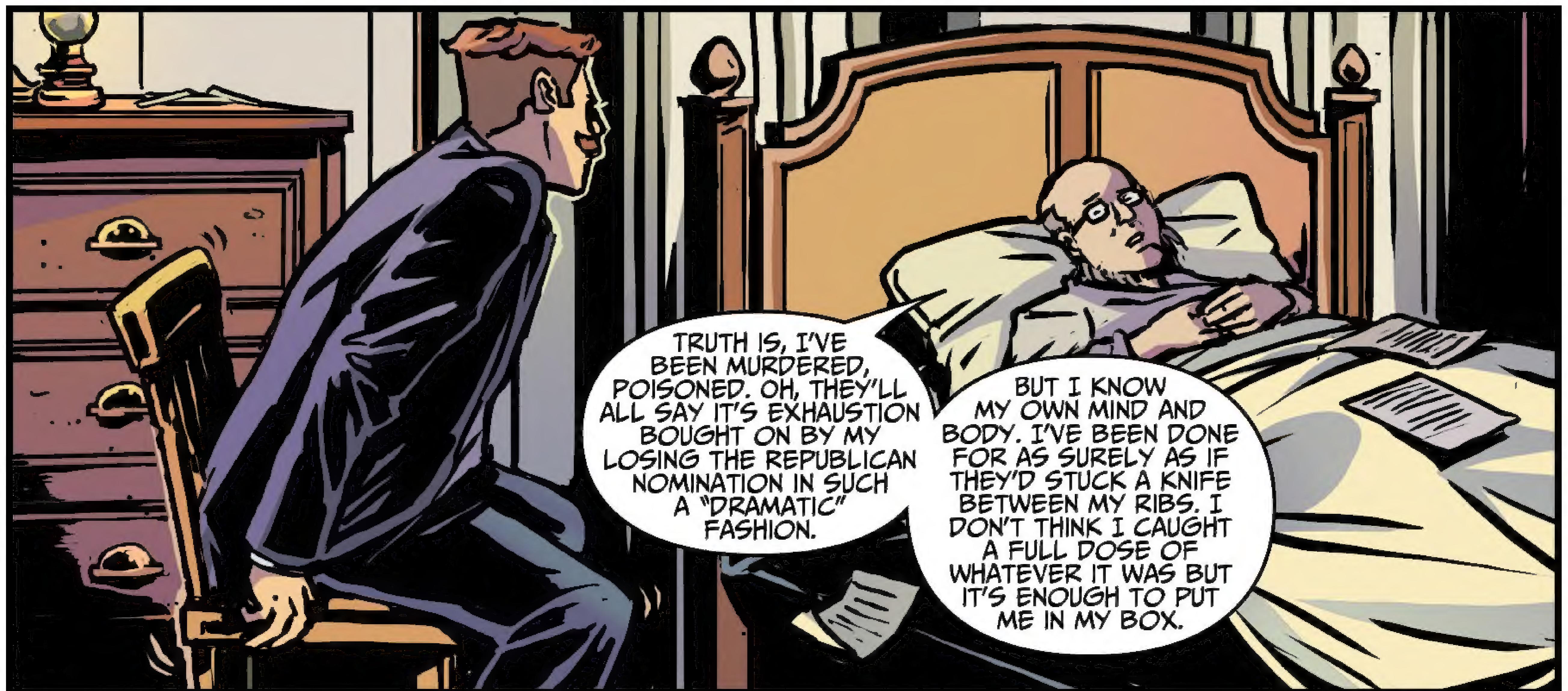
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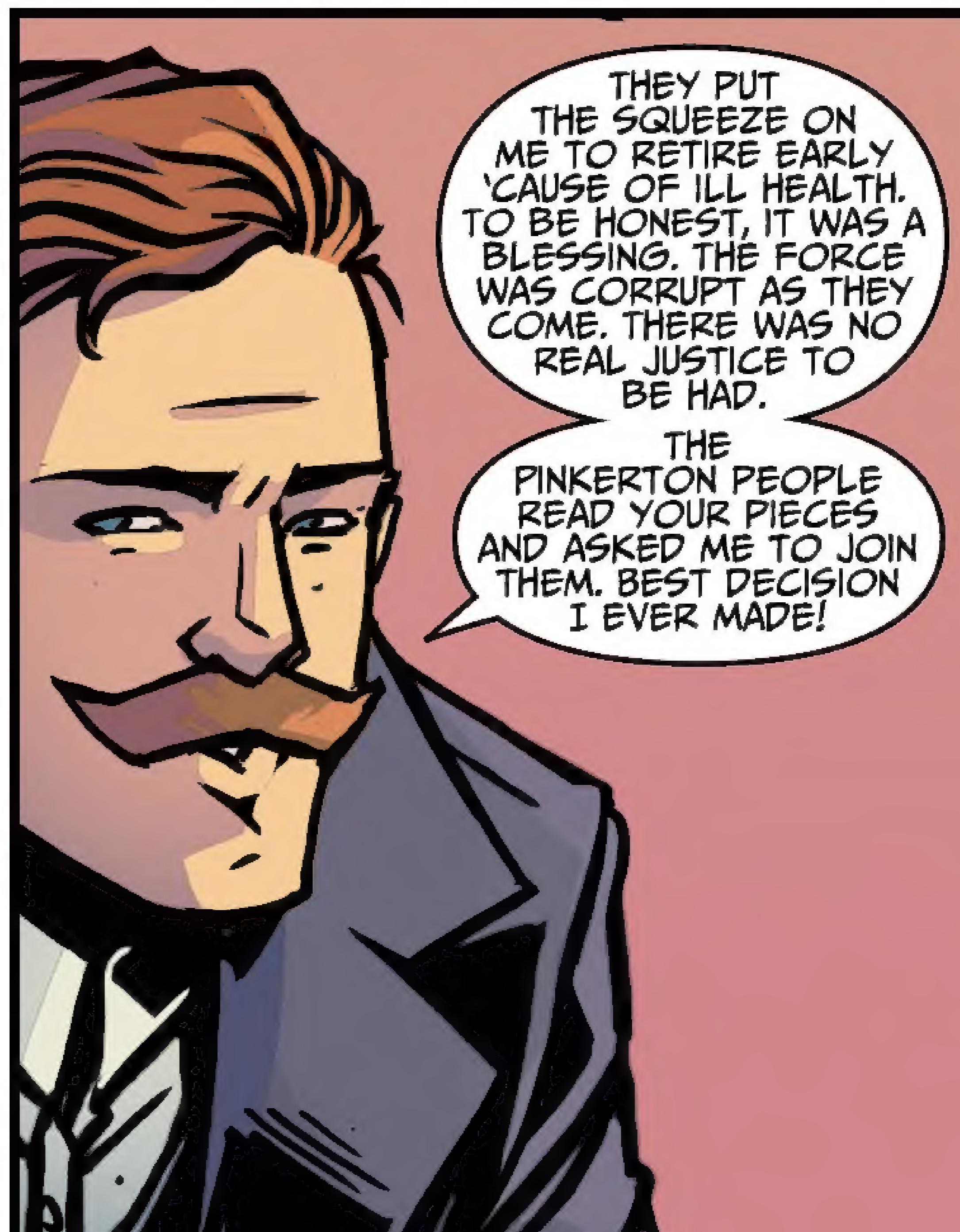
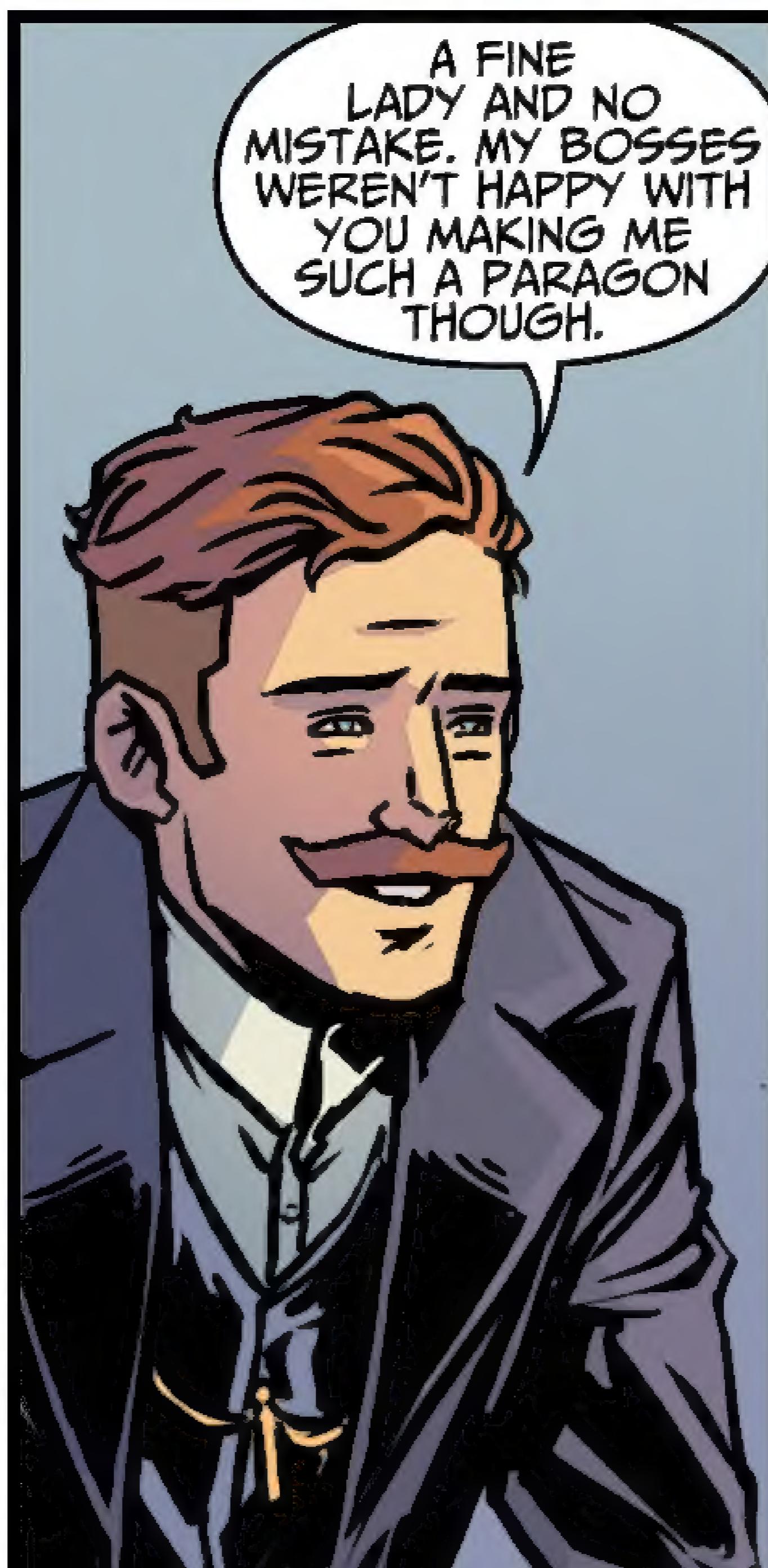
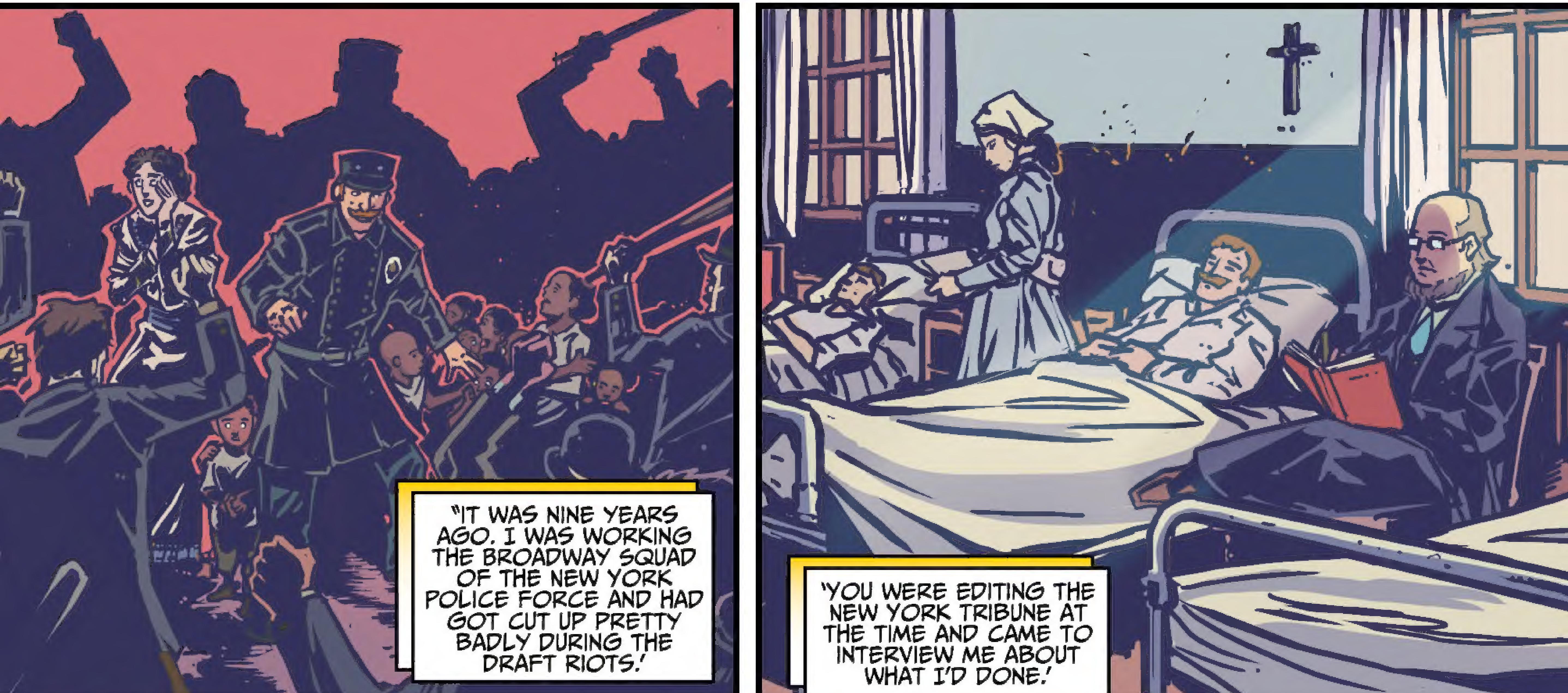
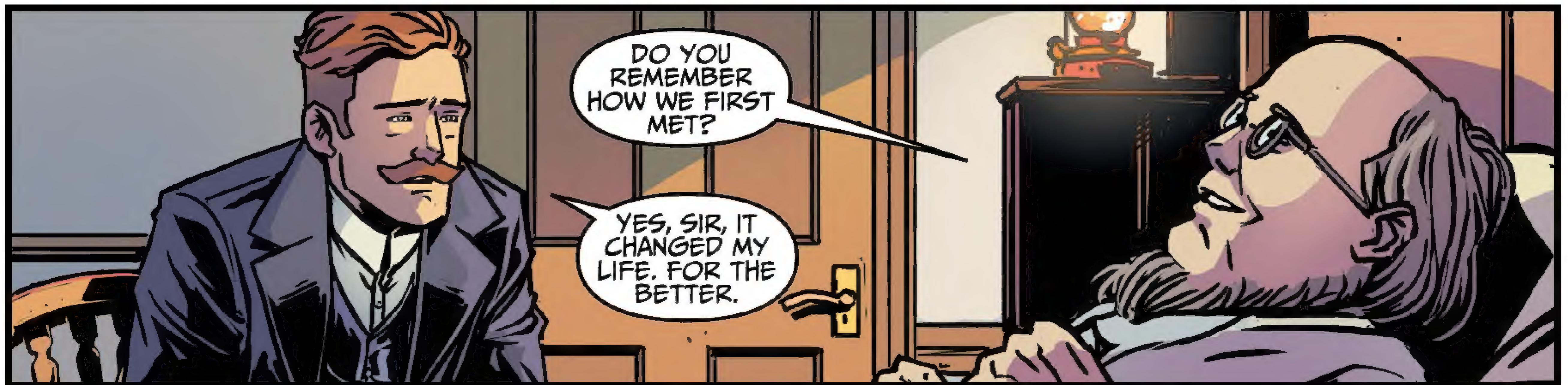
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Tommy Greyling, a nineteenth-century Pinkerton agent, has discovered the location of one such piece – his search leading him across the Atlantic Ocean and deep into the heart of a twisted murder mystery...

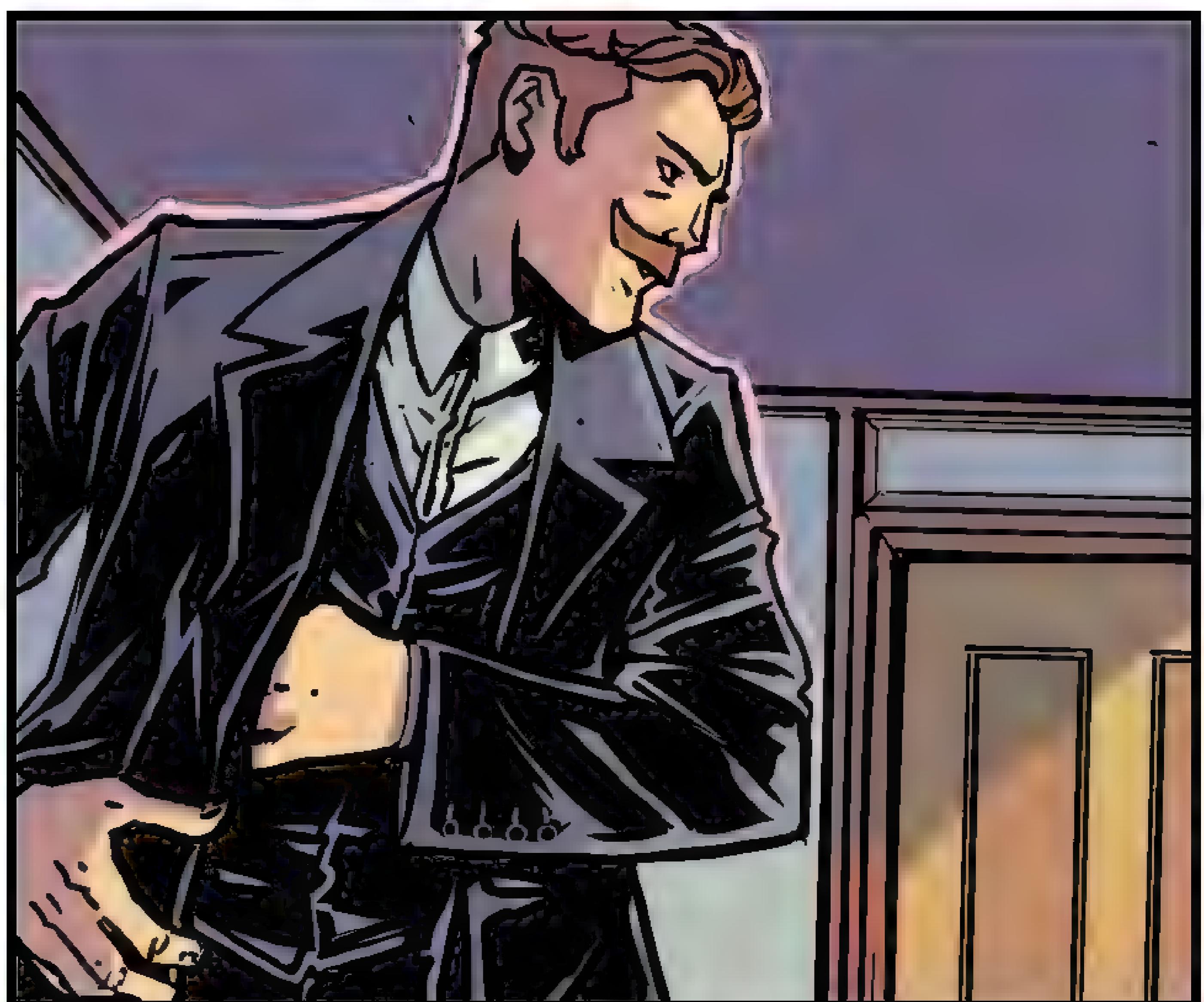
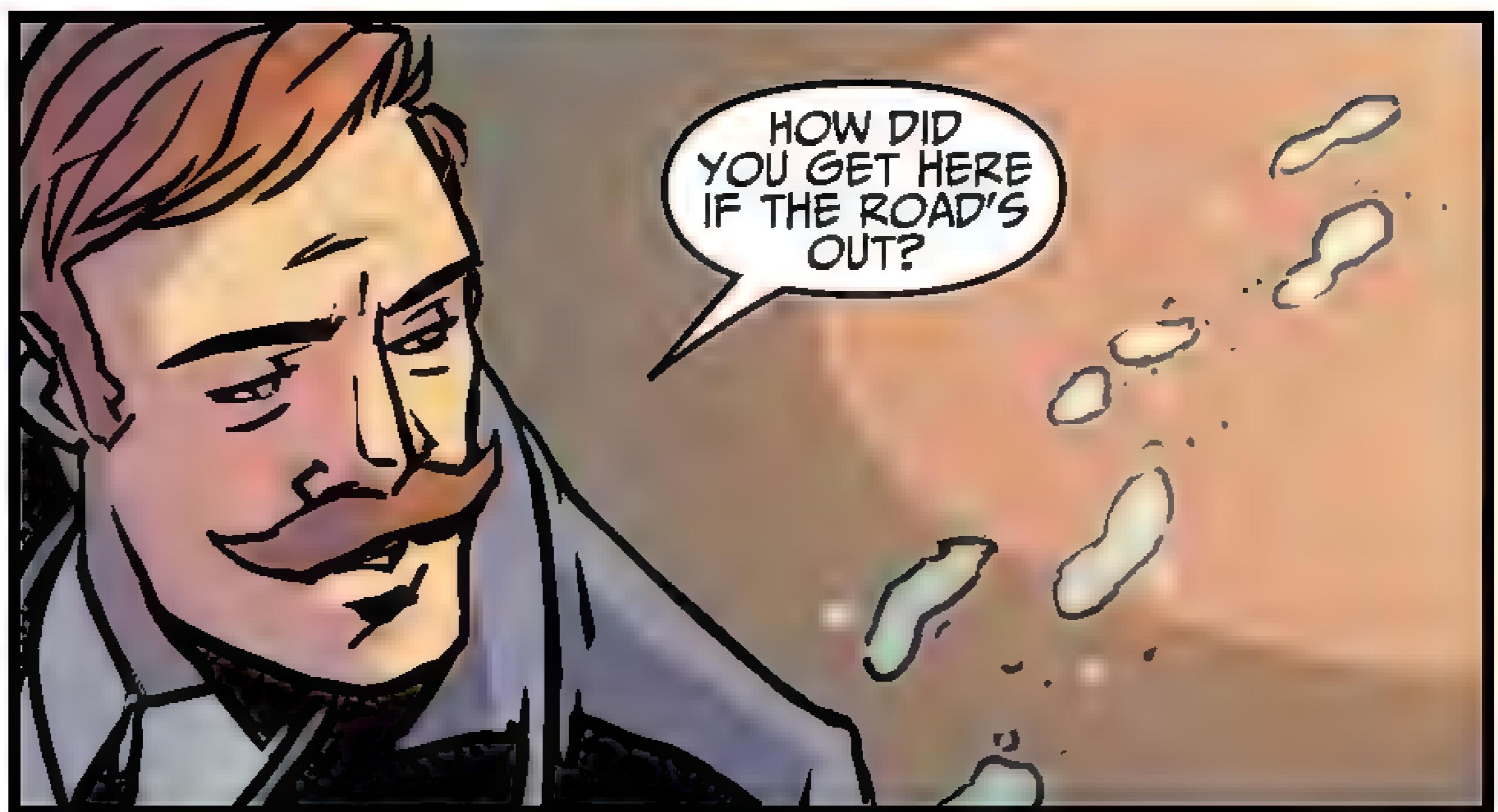
Pleasantville, New York. 1872.





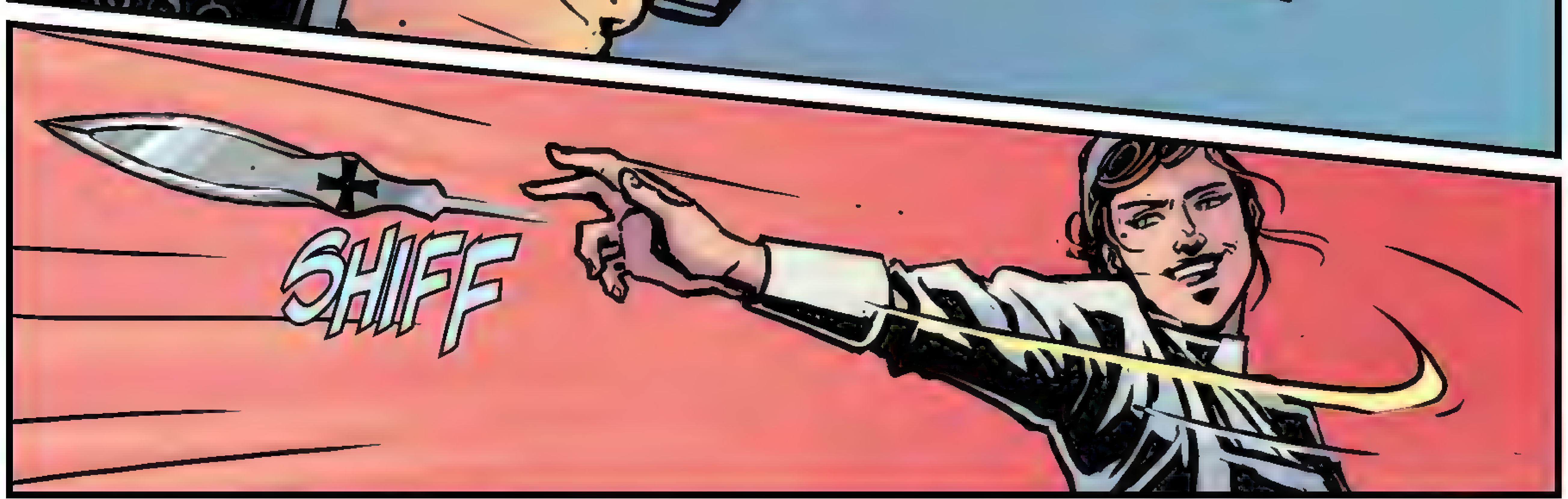






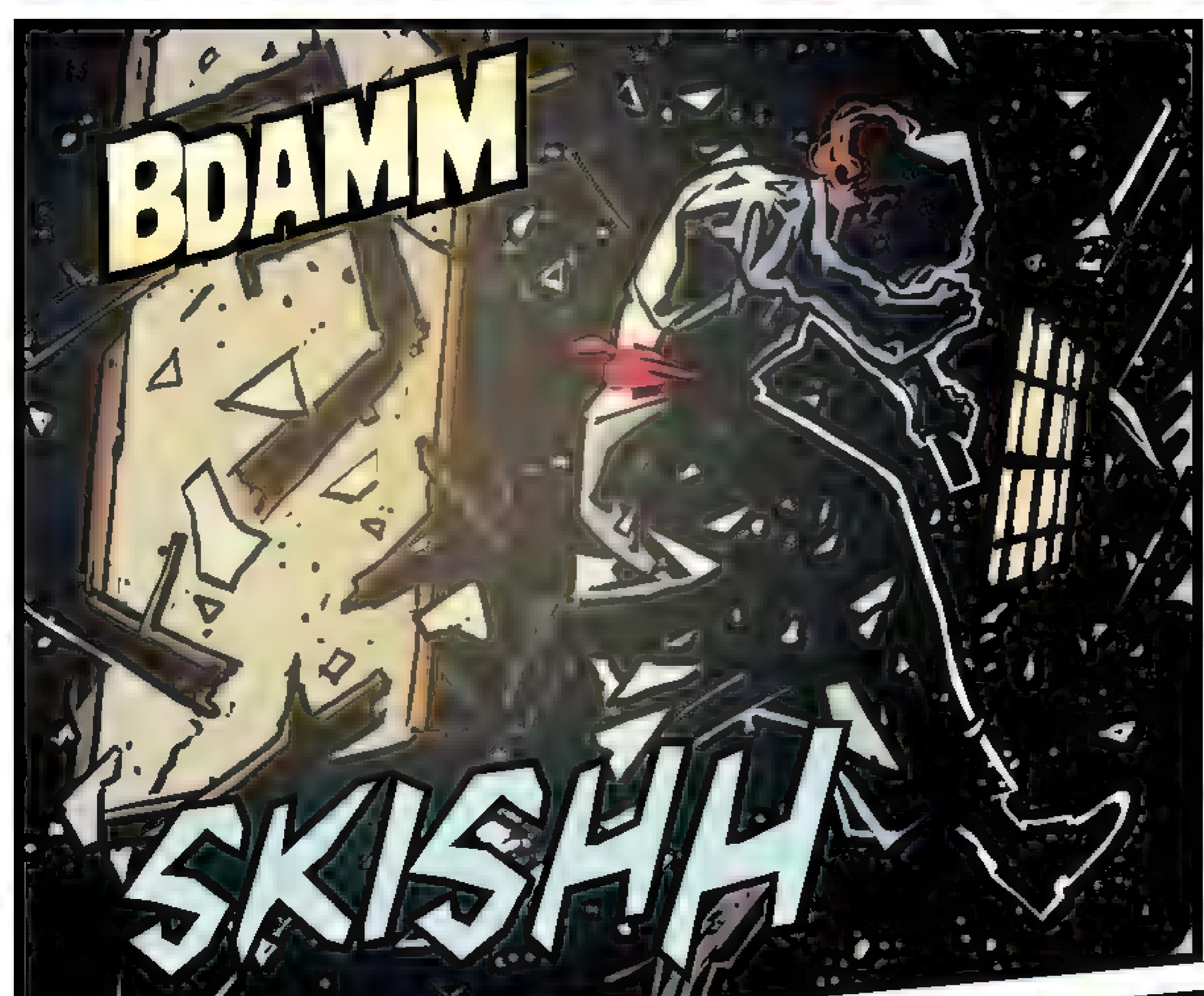
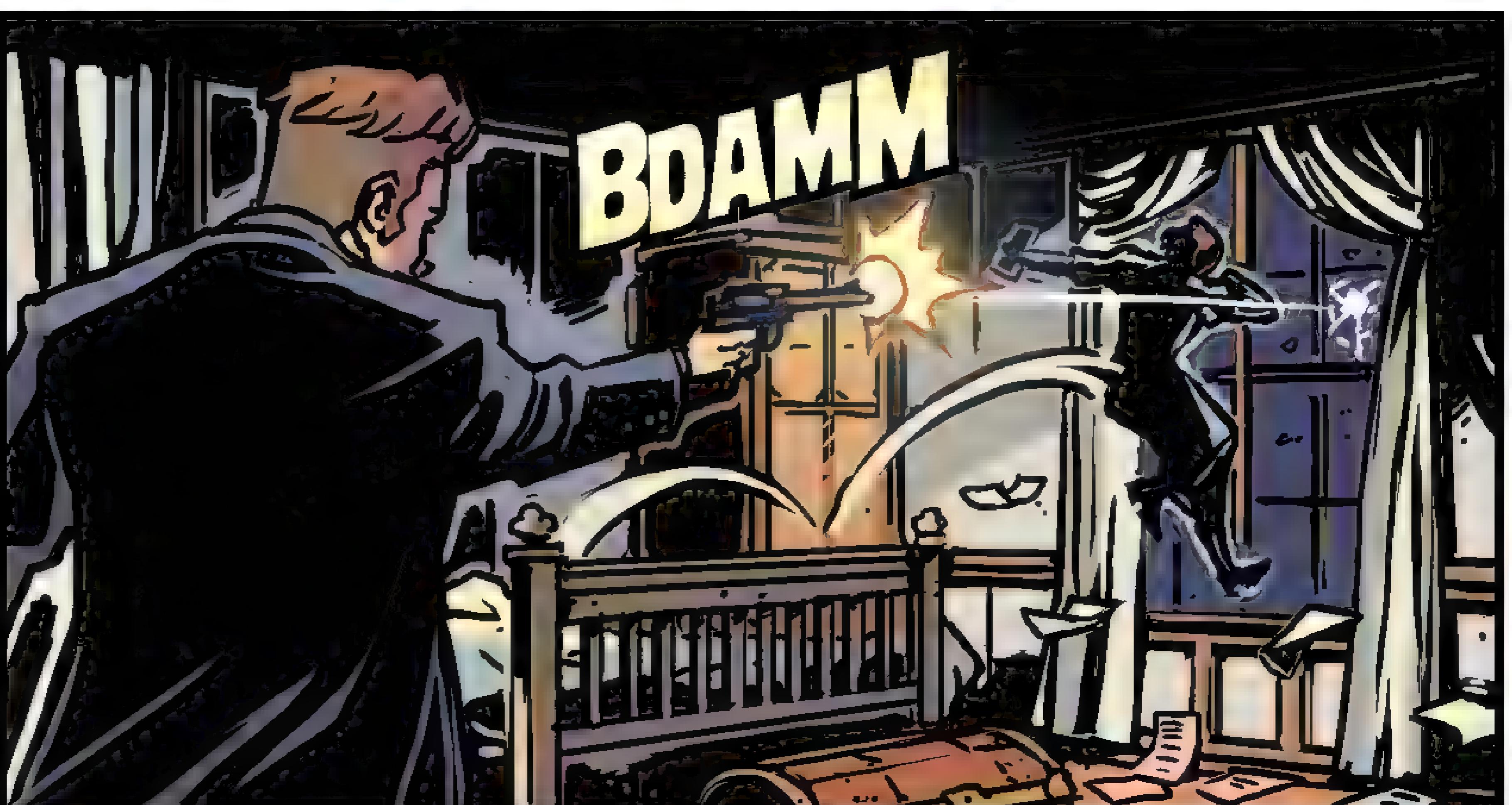


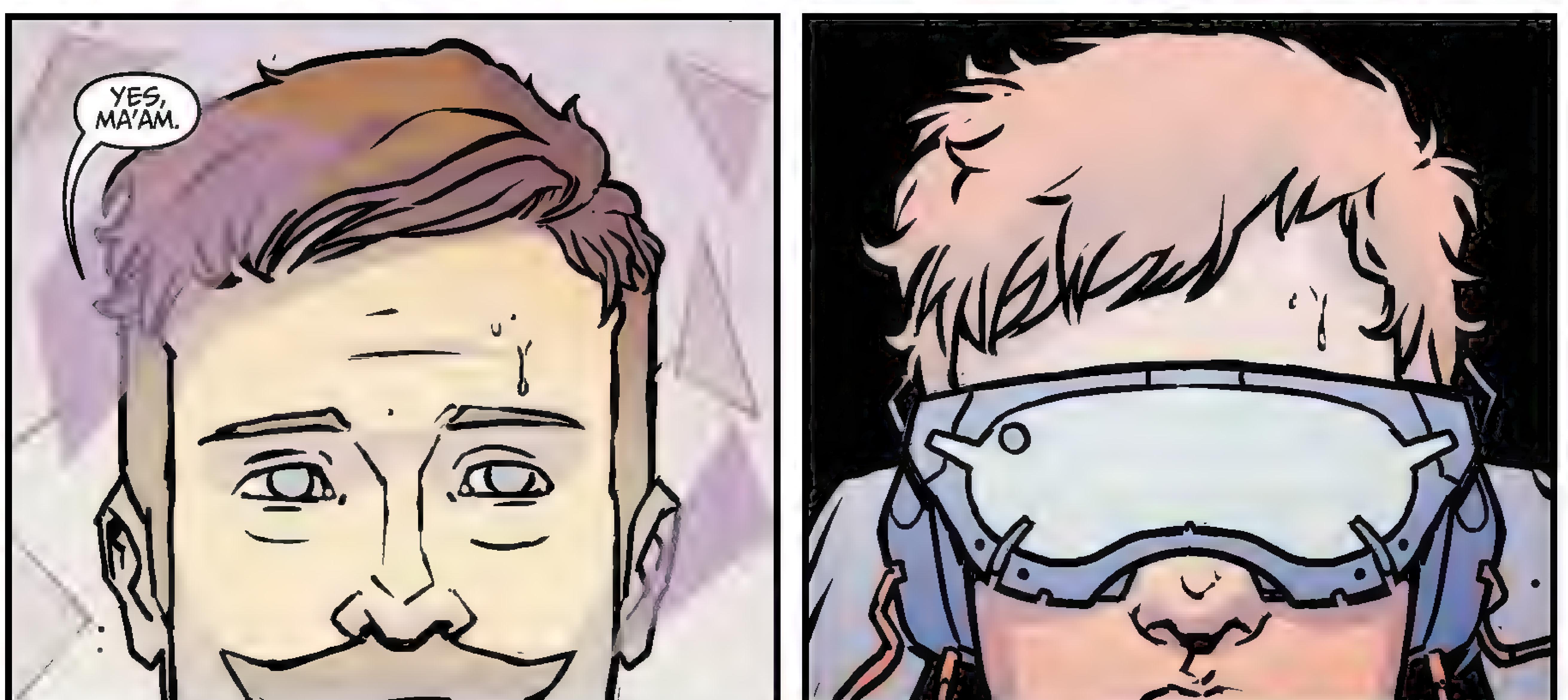
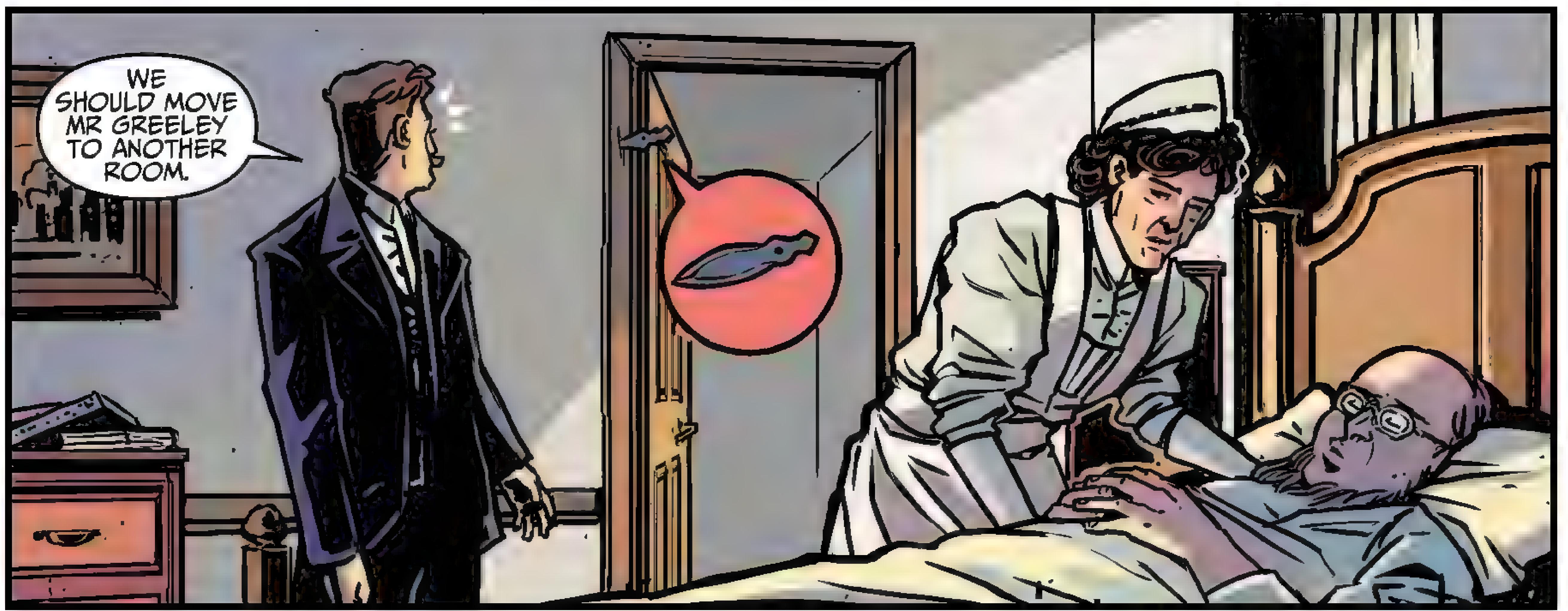
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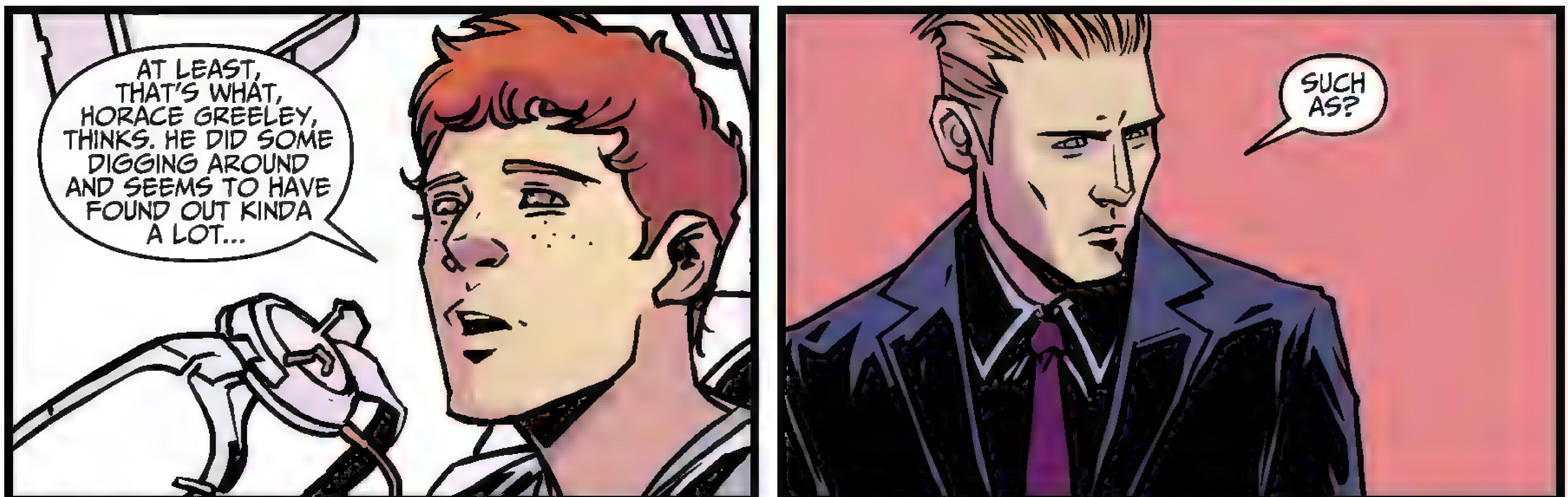
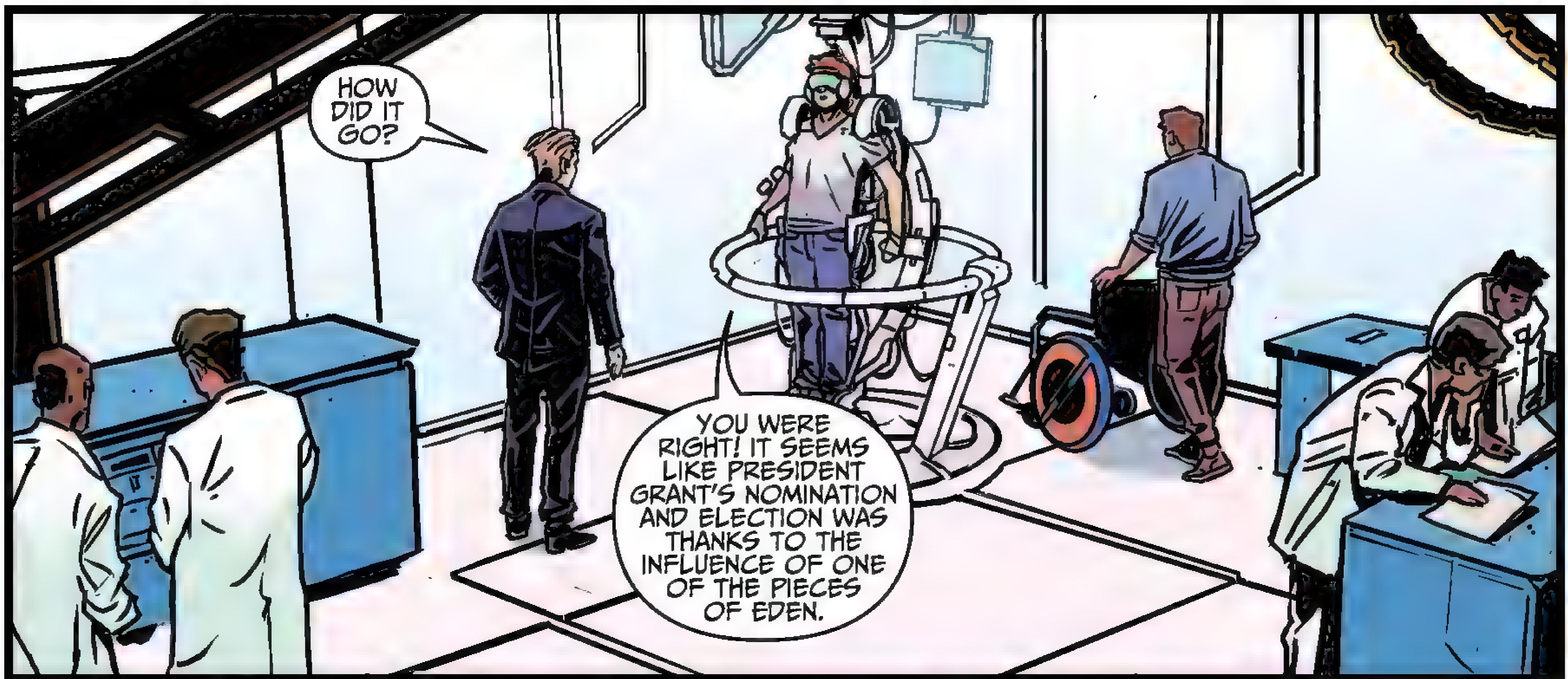


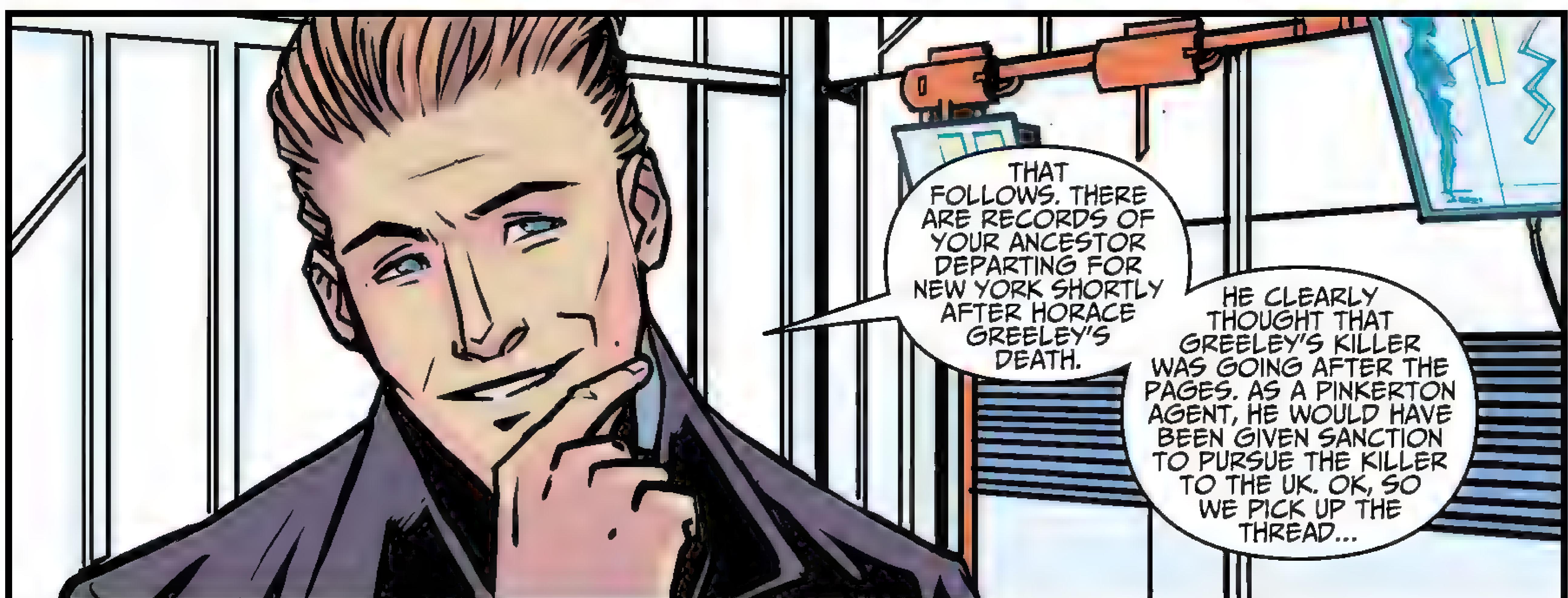
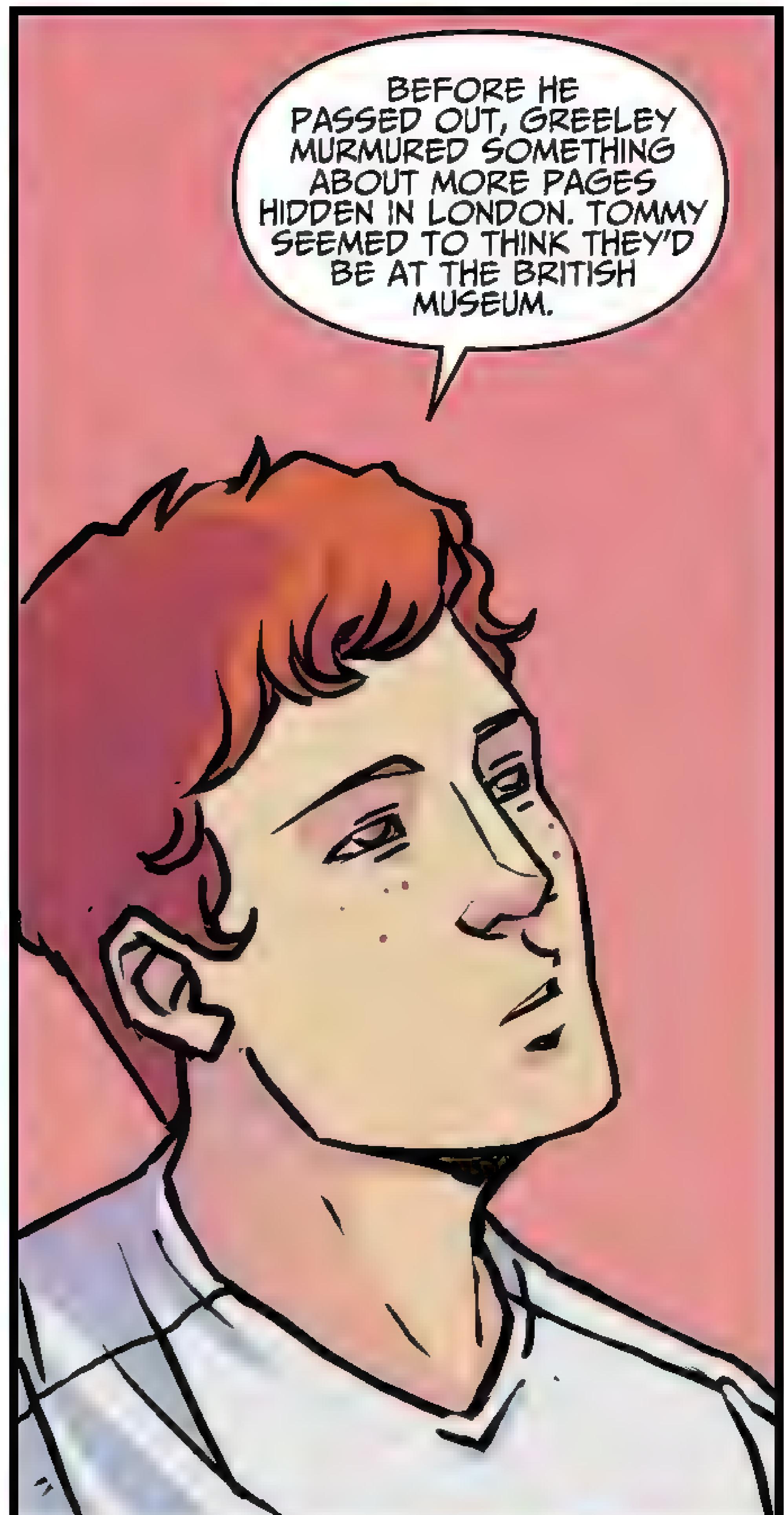
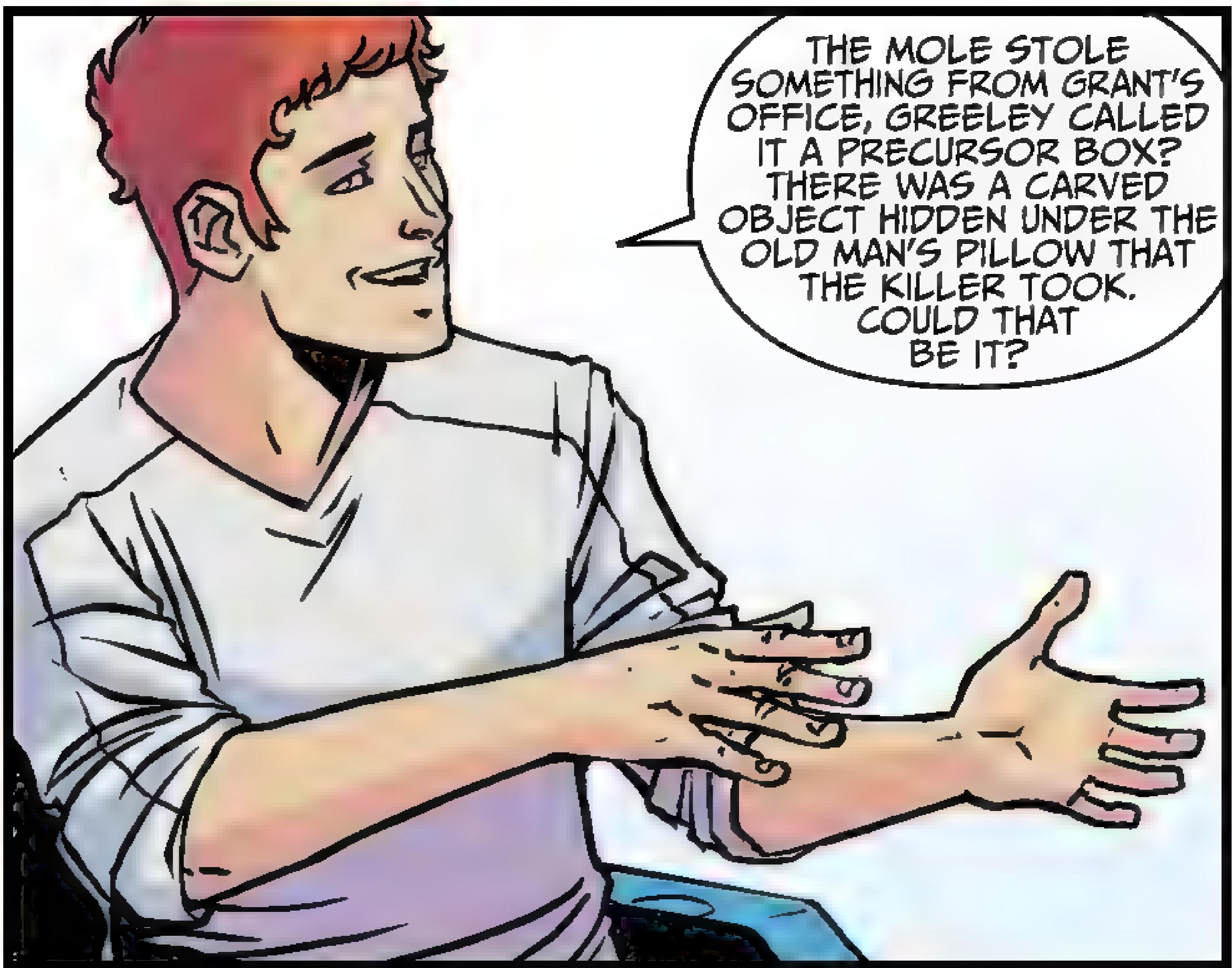
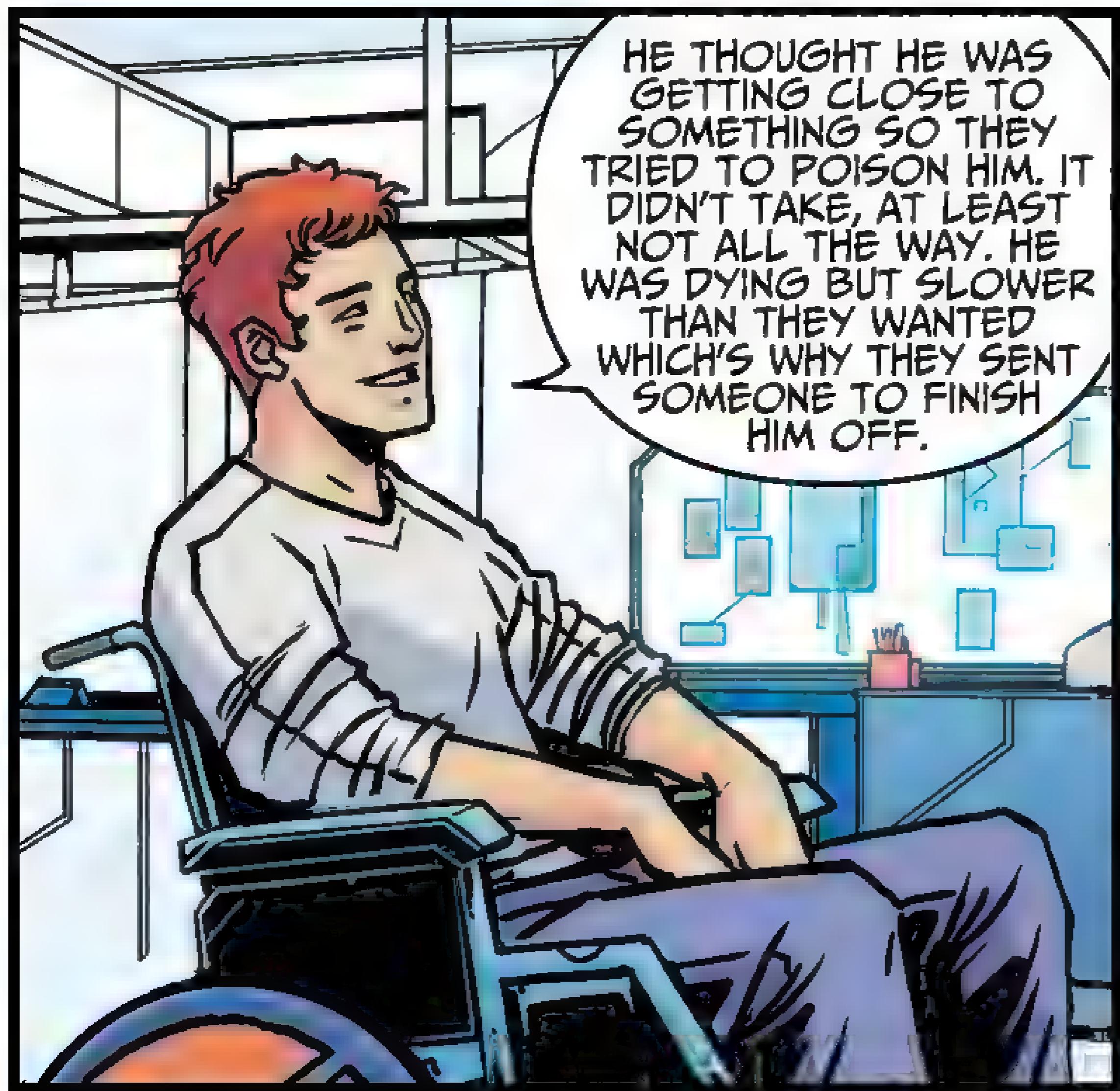
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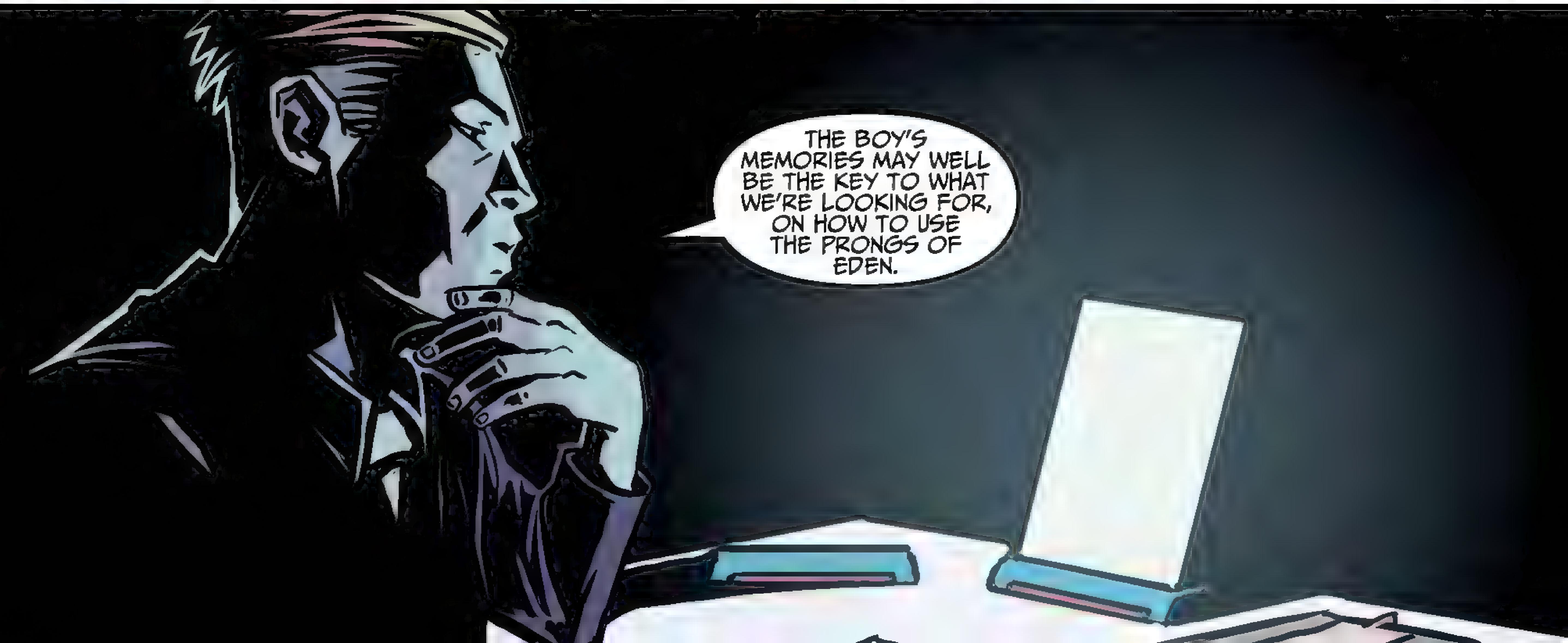
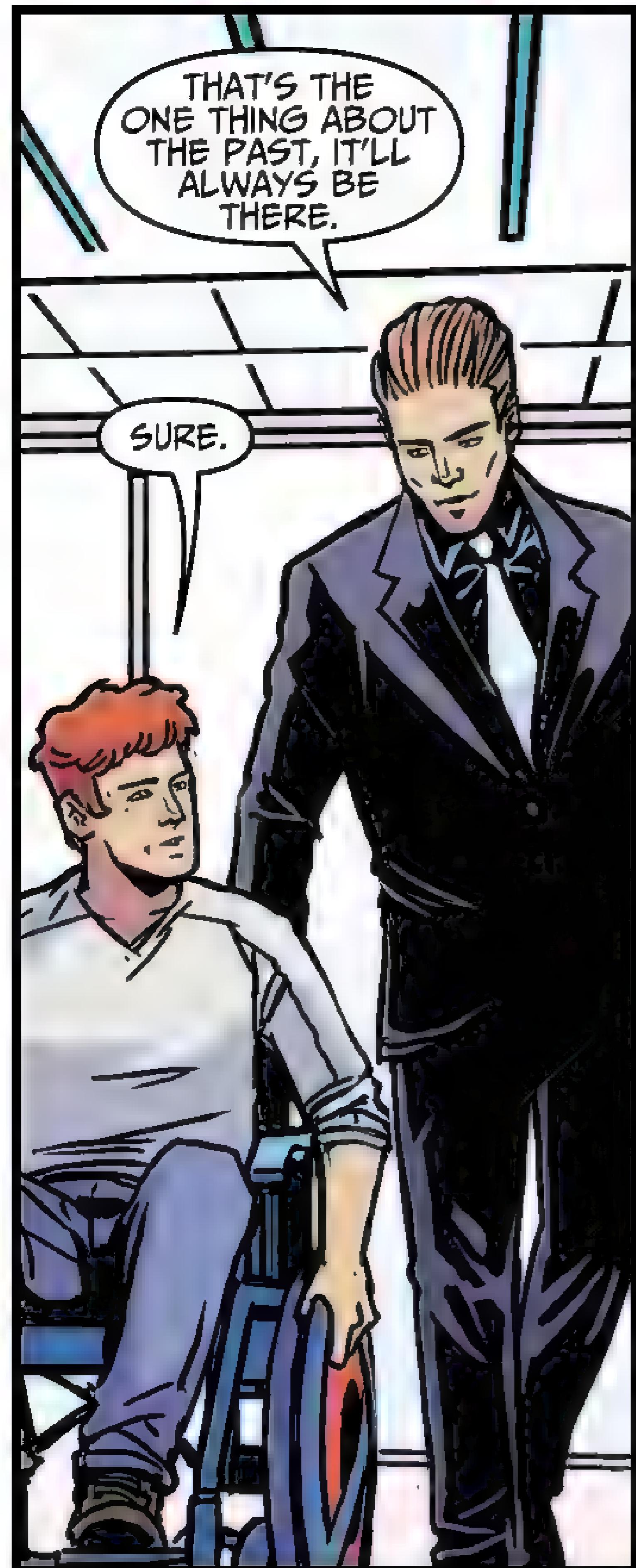
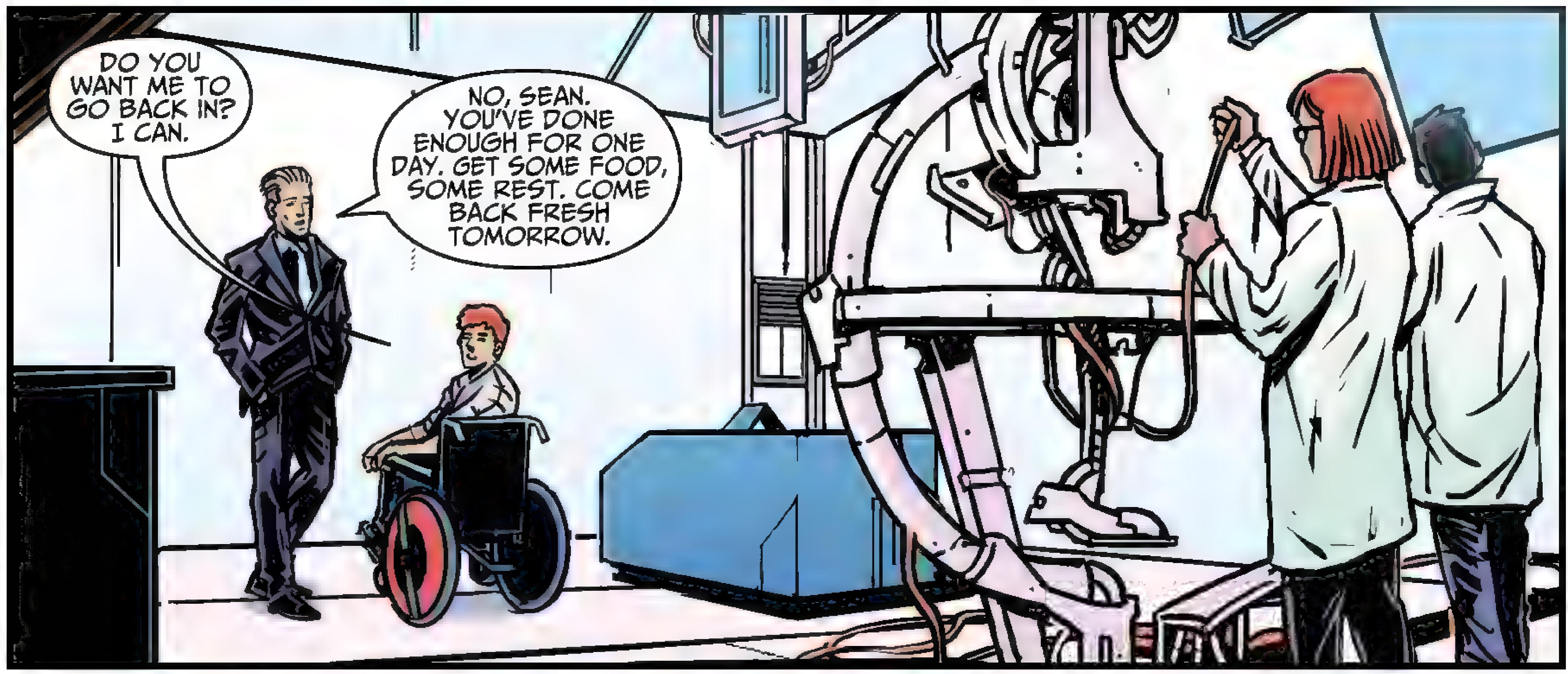
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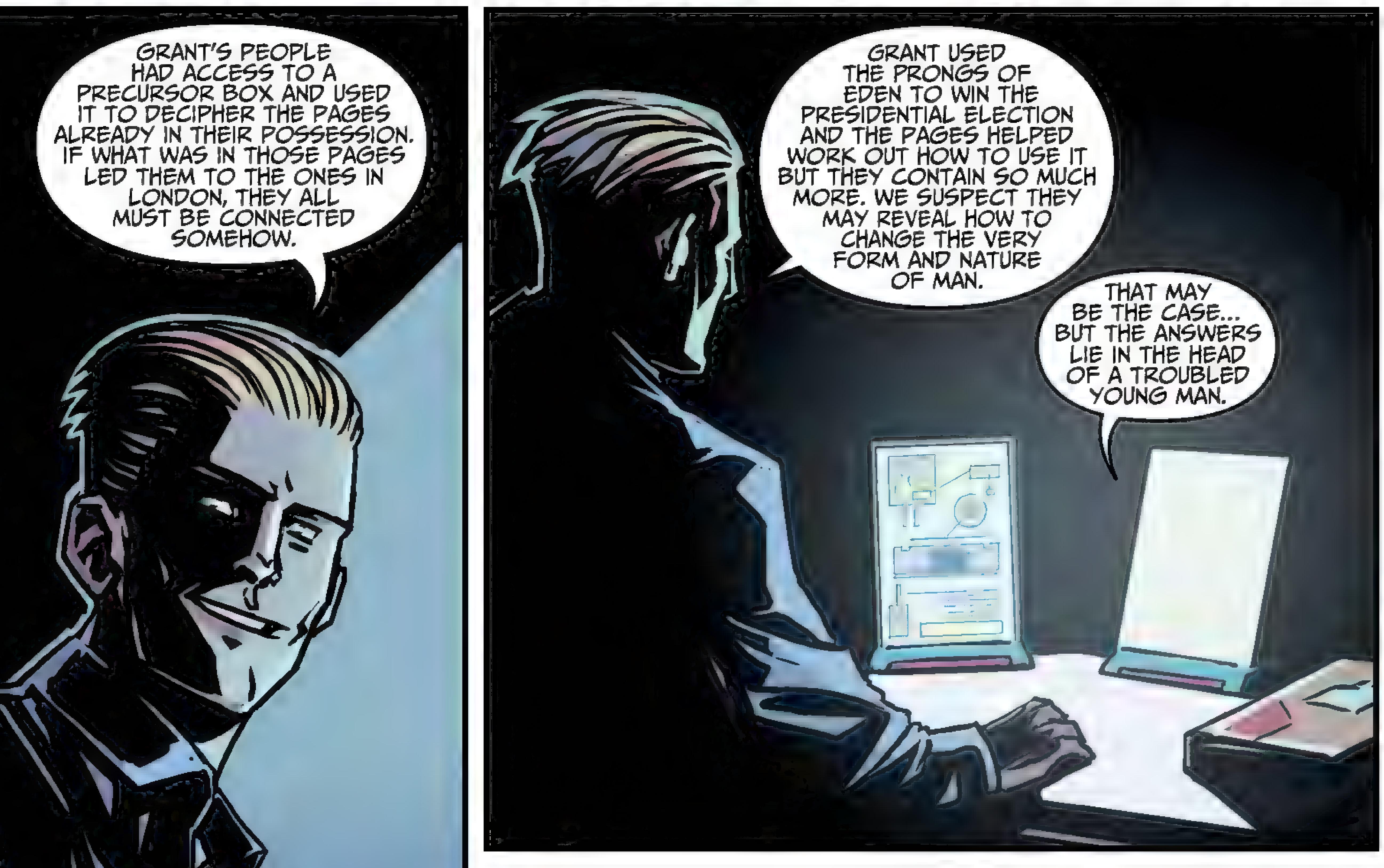
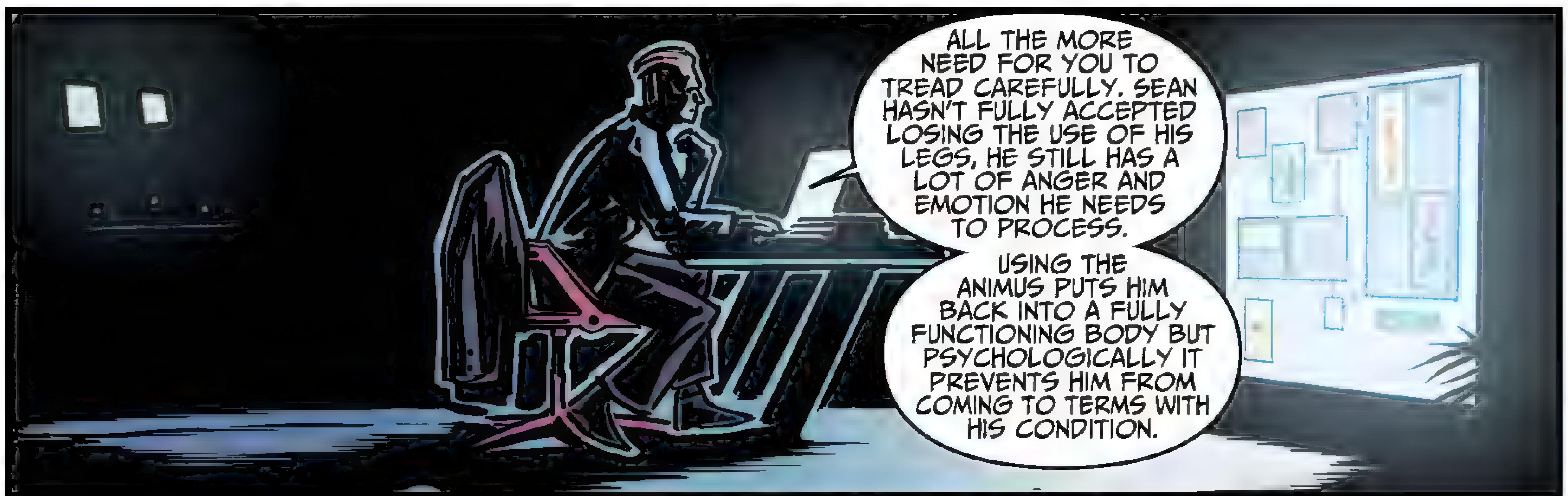












'WHAT HAPPENS TO HIM WILL DICTATE HOW THIS WHOLE AFFAIR UNFOLDS!'

HEY.

HEY.

HOW ARE YOU DOING? YOU LOOK TIRED?

I'VE BEEN BUSY. WHERE ARE DAVID AND GRACE?

INSIDE WORKING ON SOMETHING. I NEEDED TO TAKE A BREAK, FREE FROM... PEOPLE. FROM PRYING EYES.

AREN'T YOU BEING A LITTLE PARANOID?

MAYBE YOU'RE NOT BEING PARANOID ENOUGH?

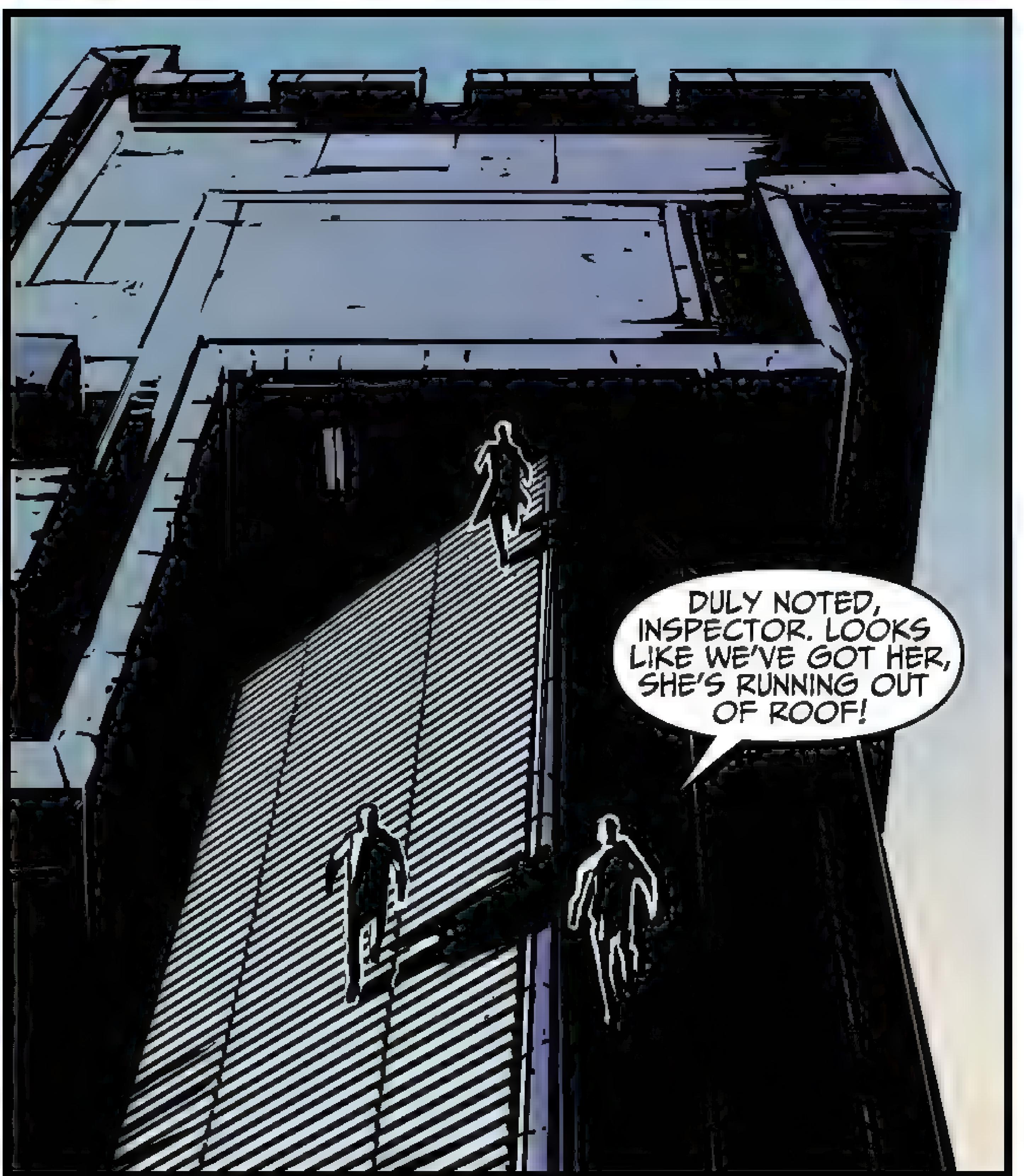
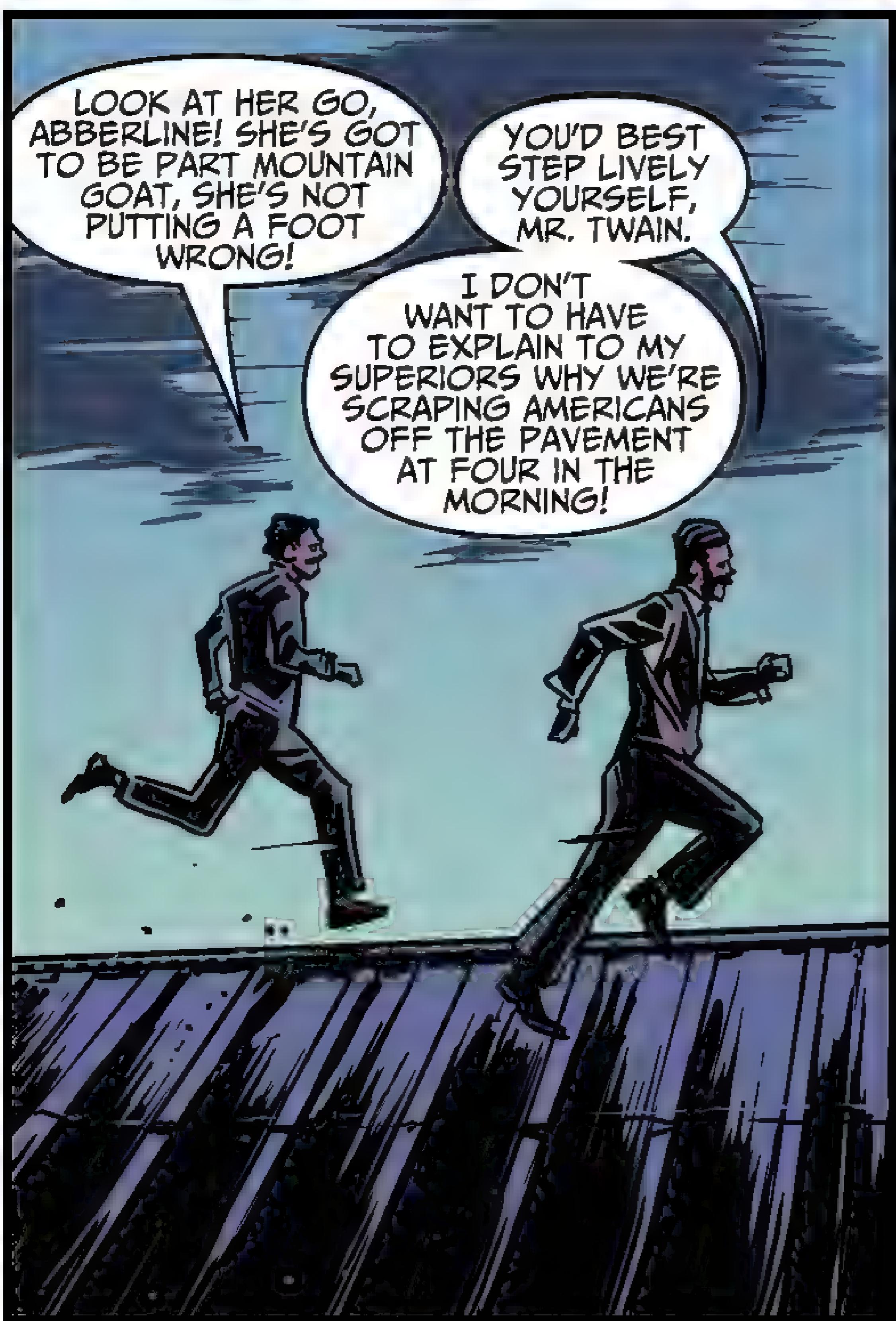
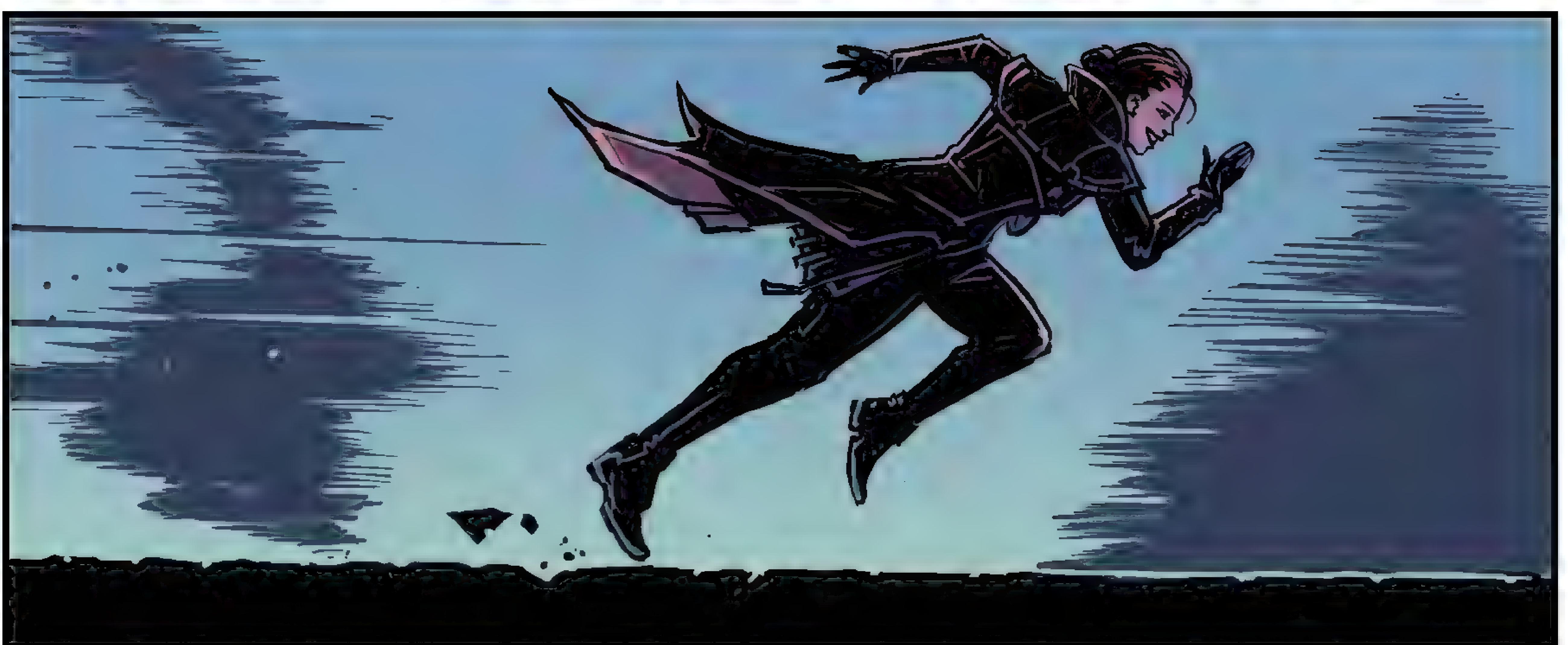
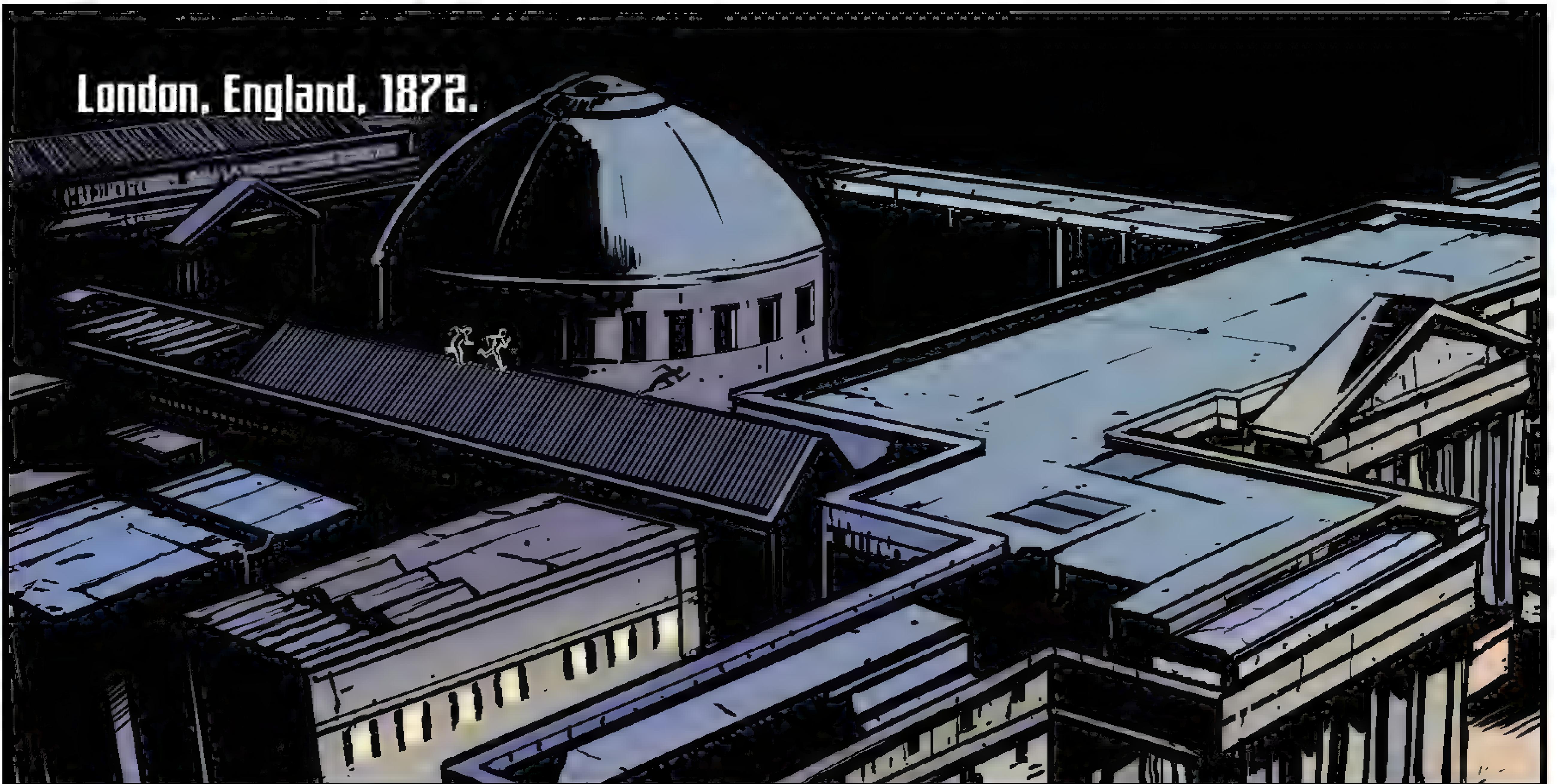
I MEAN, I GET IT. WE HAVE THE BEST GIG EVER, A RESIDENTIAL INTERNSHIP WITH ABSTERGO.

BUT WE KNOW WHY WE'RE ACTUALLY HERE. FOR THEM TO FIND OUT ABOUT THAT ASCENDANCE EVENT THAT WE'RE ALL PART OF. OUR CONNECTION TO THAT THREE-PRONGED TRIDENT.

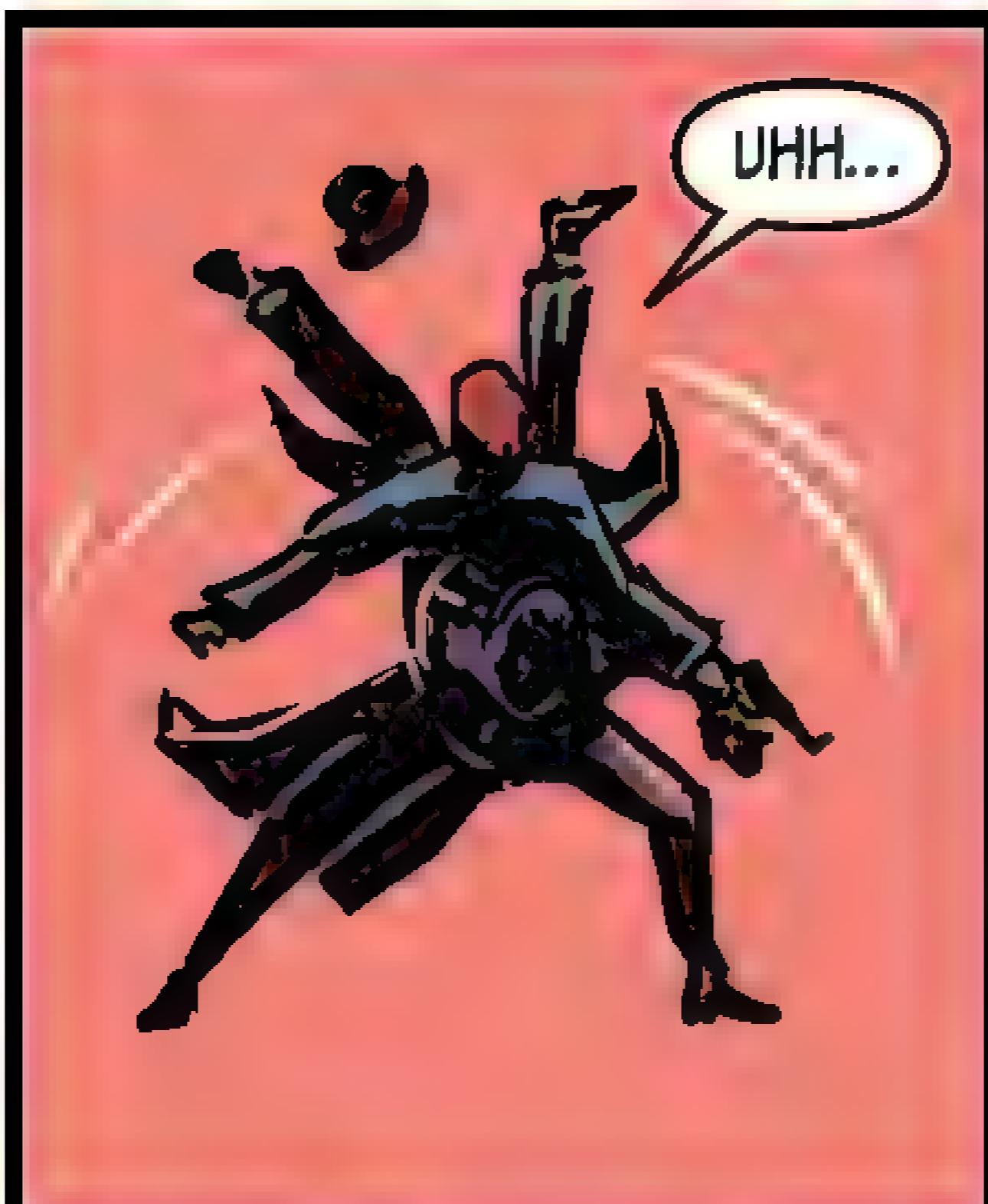
I FEEL LIKE EVERYWHERE WE GO IS MONITORED, EVEN OUT HERE. BUT AT LEAST I FEEL LESS CONFINED BY BEING OUTSIDE.

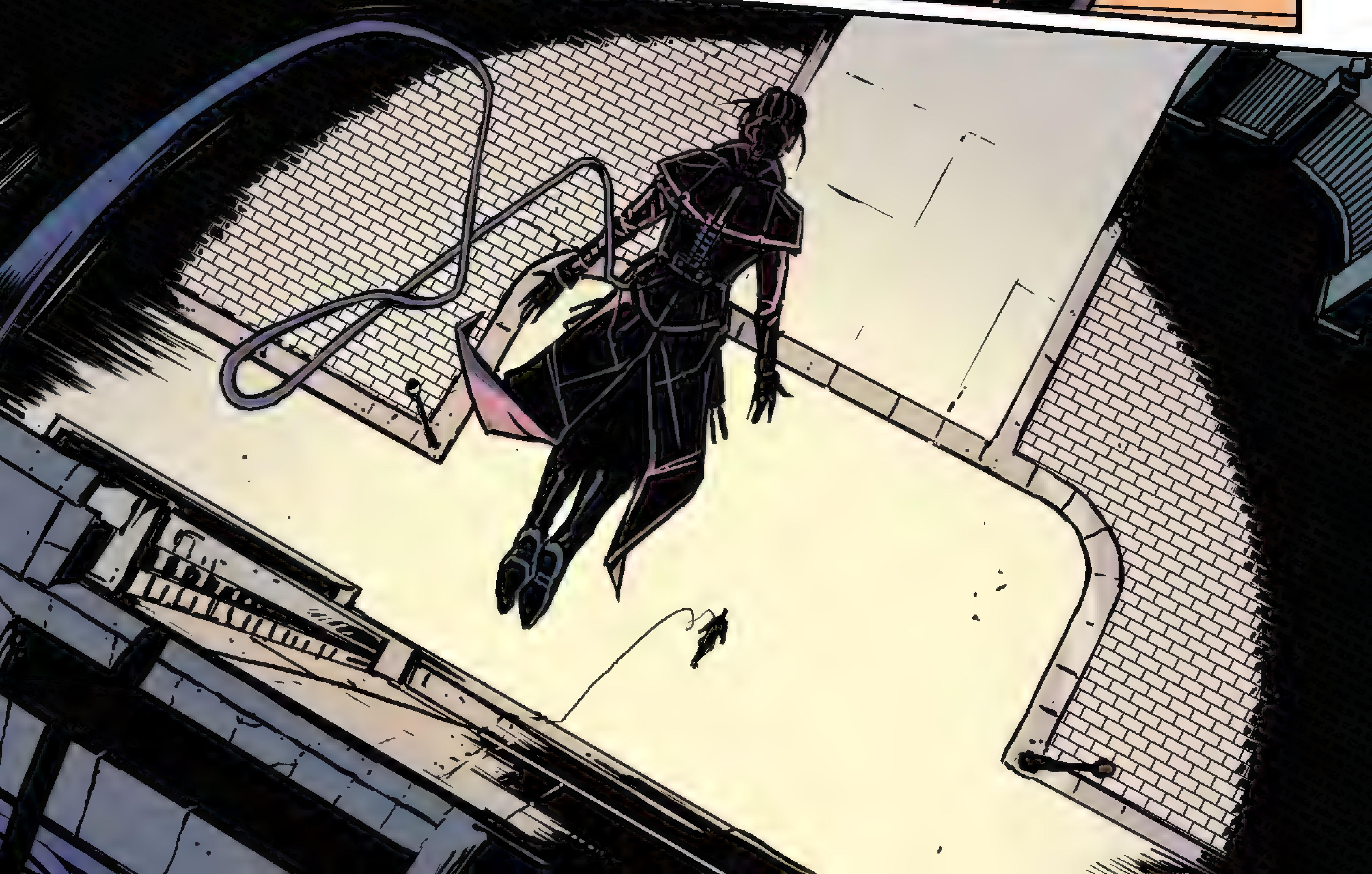
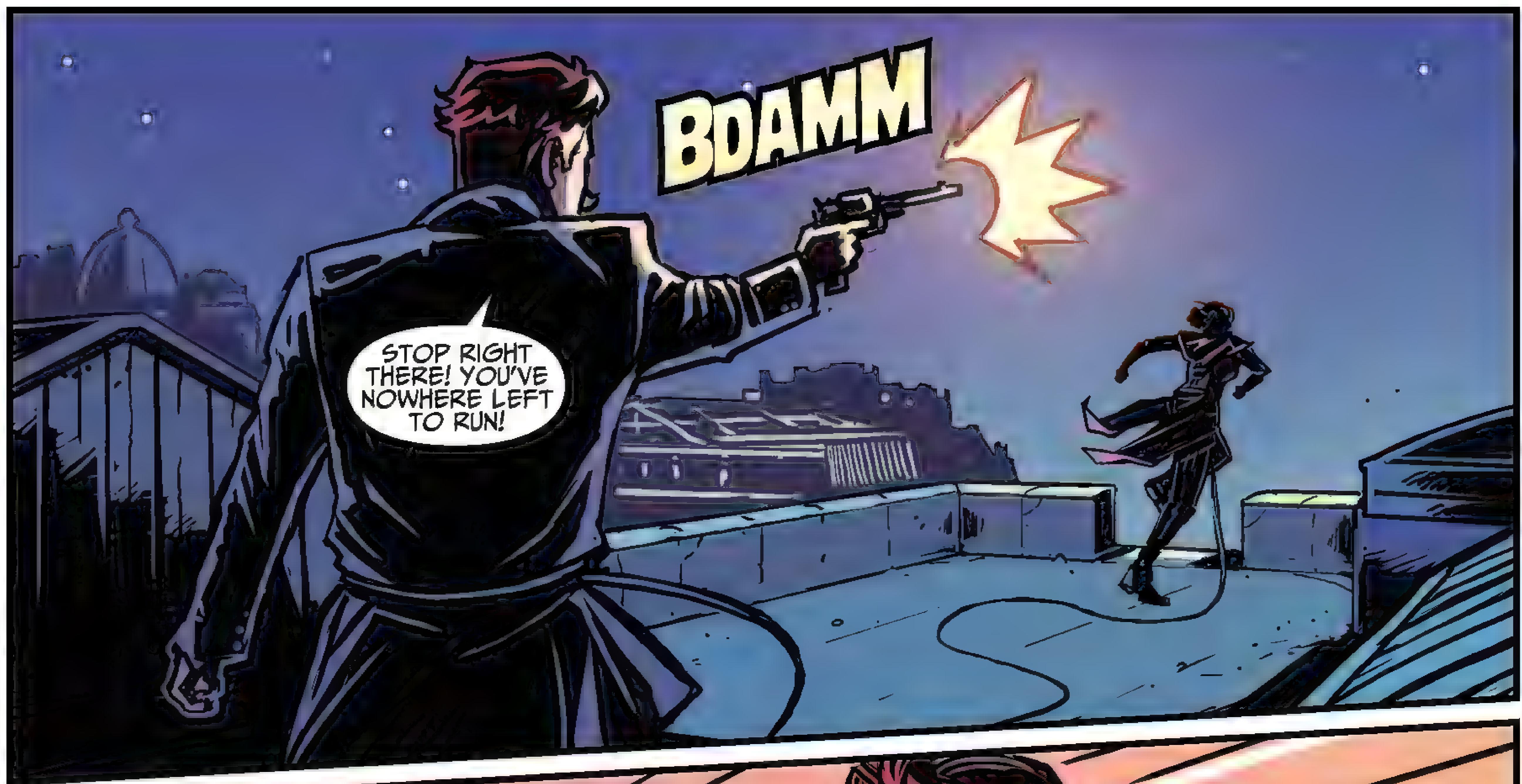


London, England, 1872.

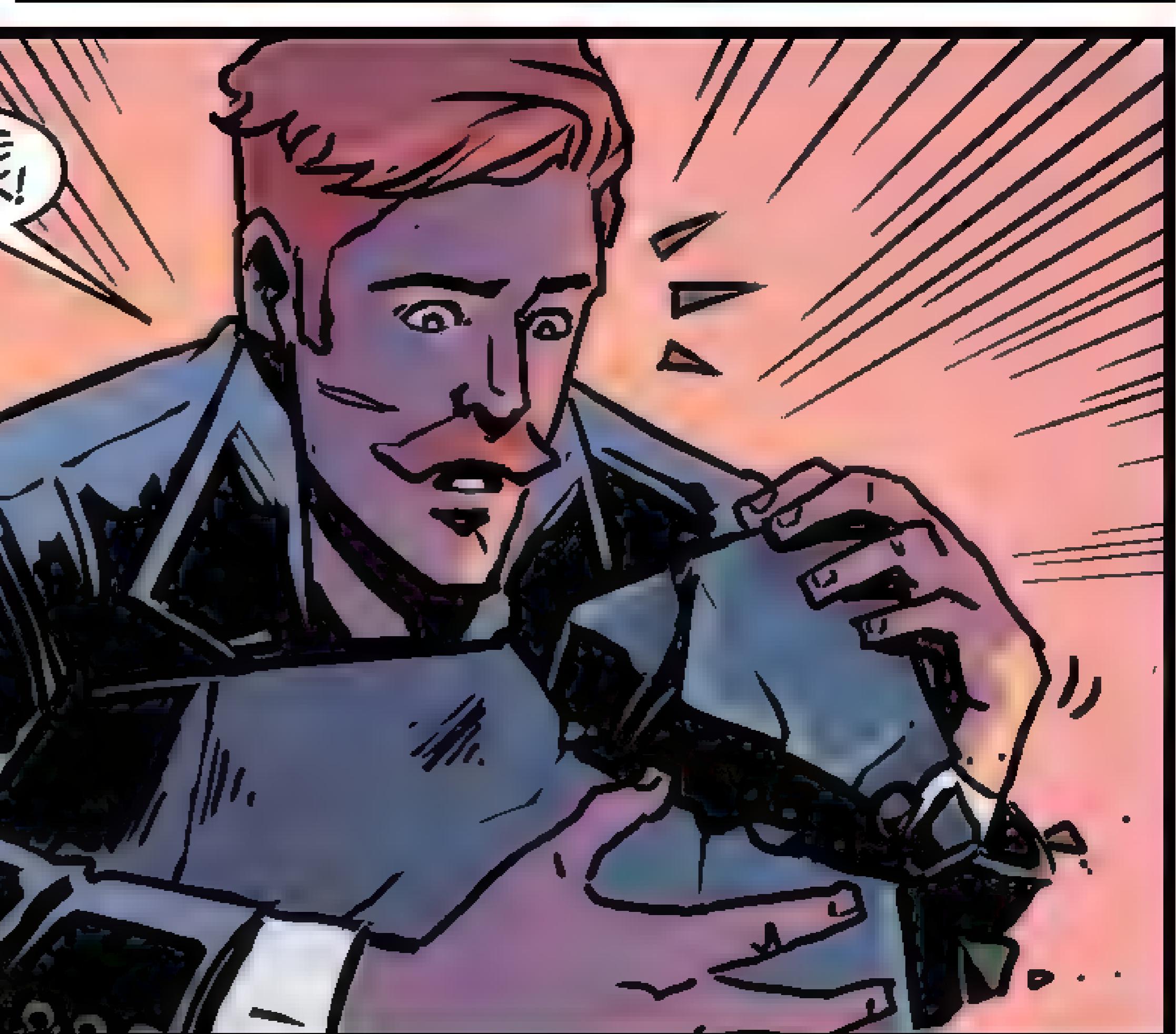
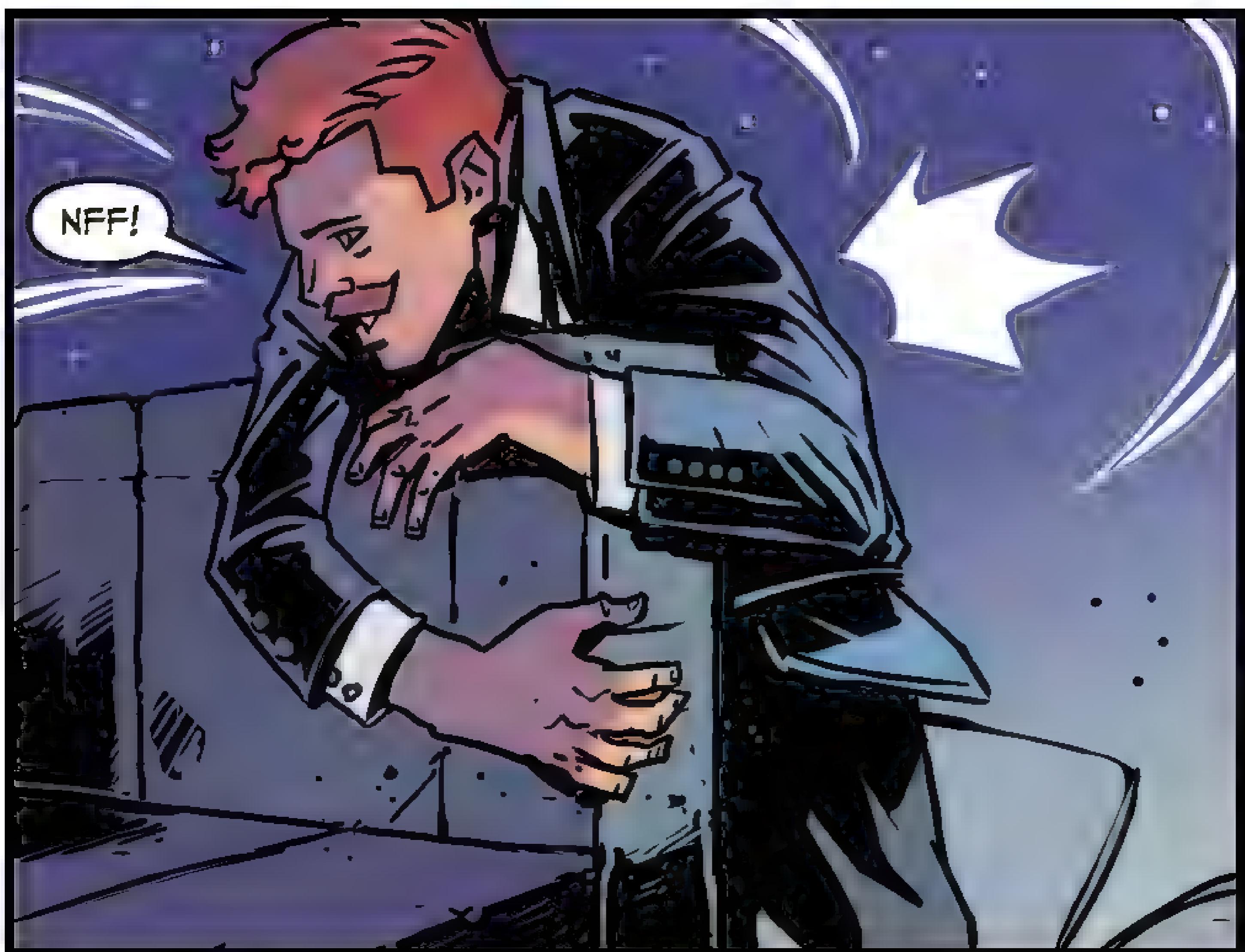














MR. GREYLING,
PERMIT ME TO
INTRODUCE THE
INESTIMABLE HENRY
GREEN AND EVIE FRYE.
IF THERE'S ANYONE
WHO CAN HELP YOU
GET TO THE BOTTOM
OF ALL THIS,
IT'S THEM.

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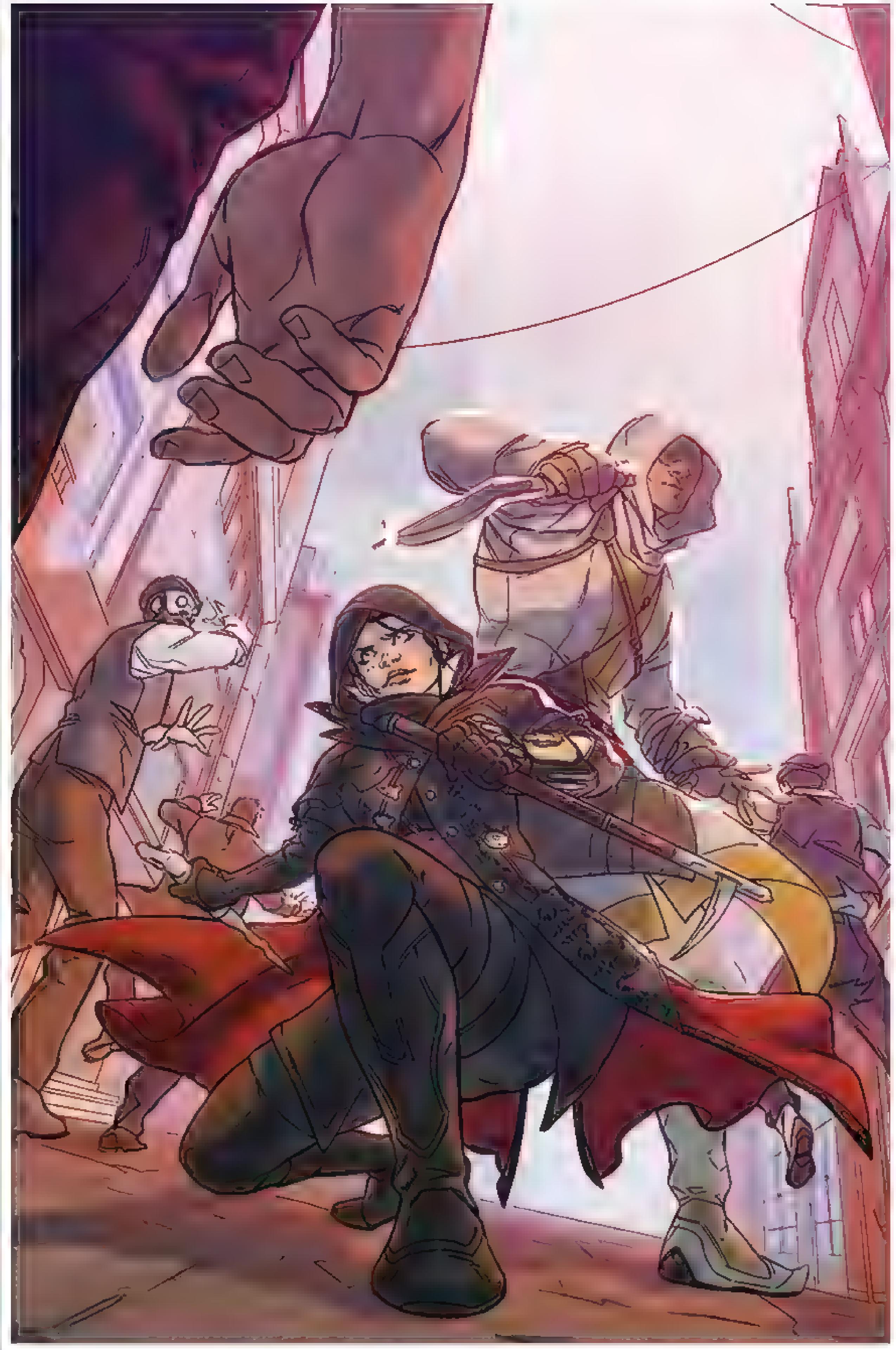
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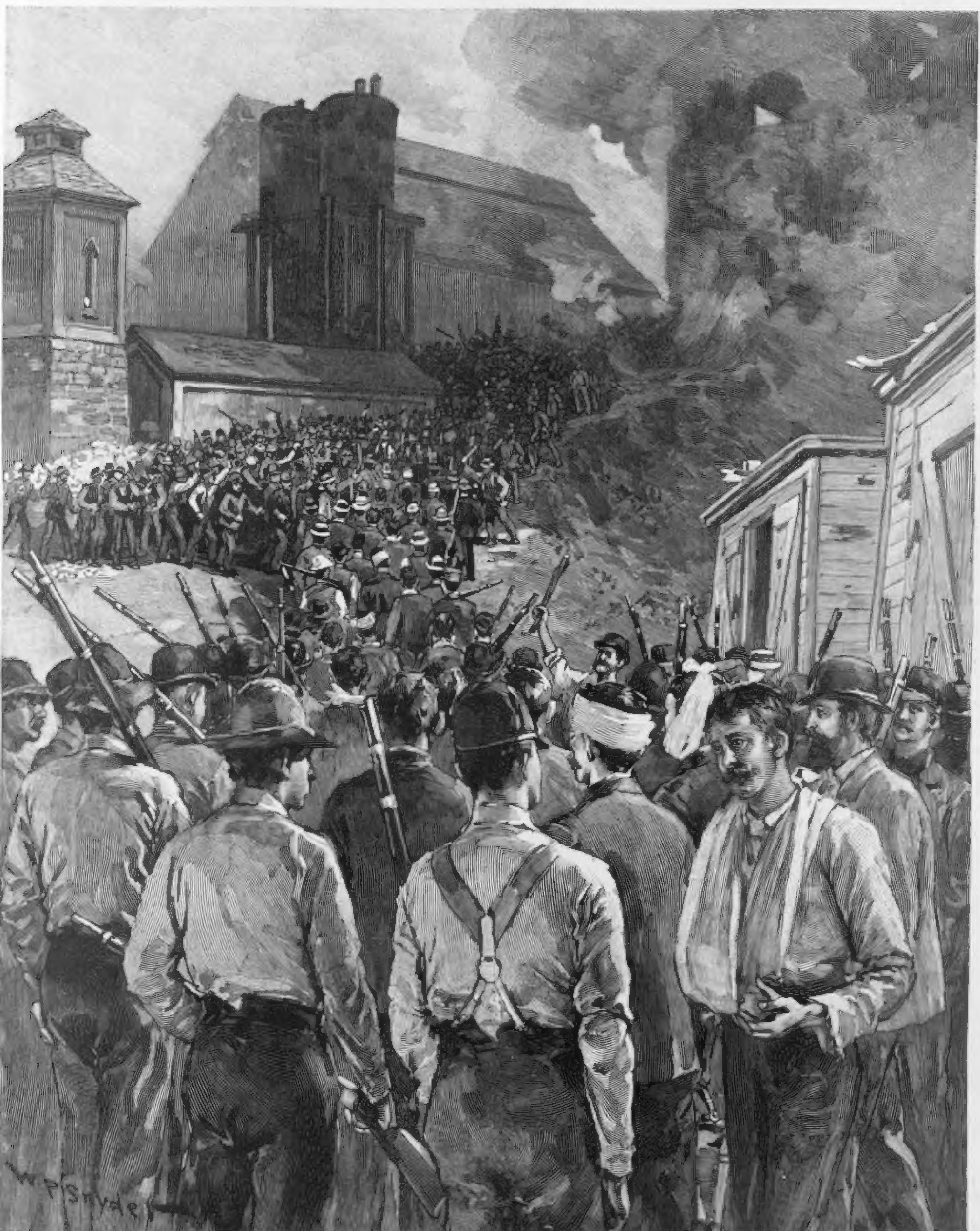
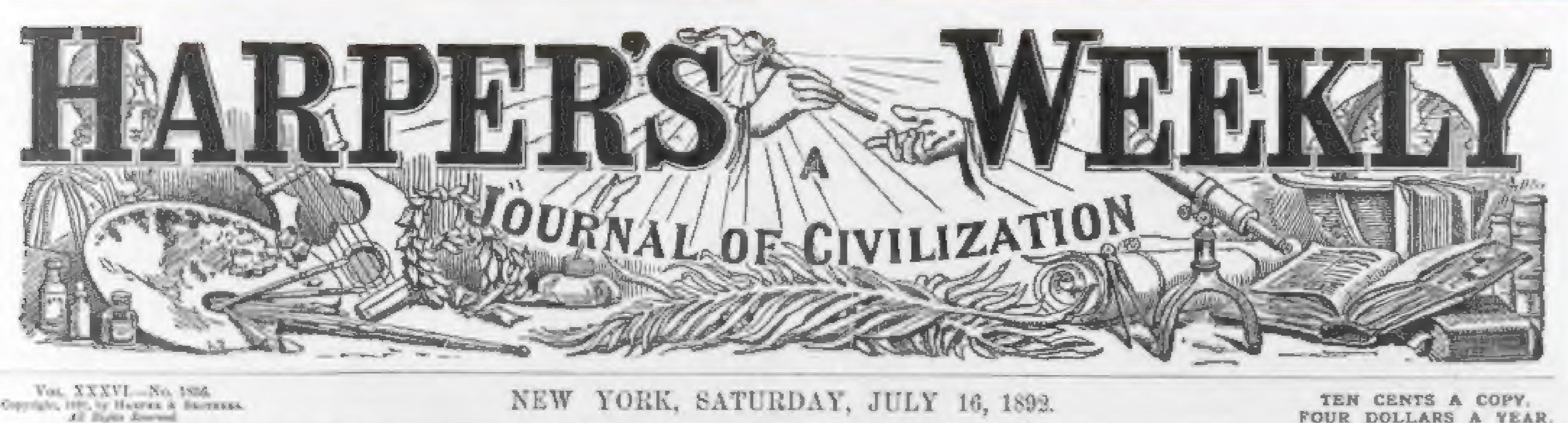


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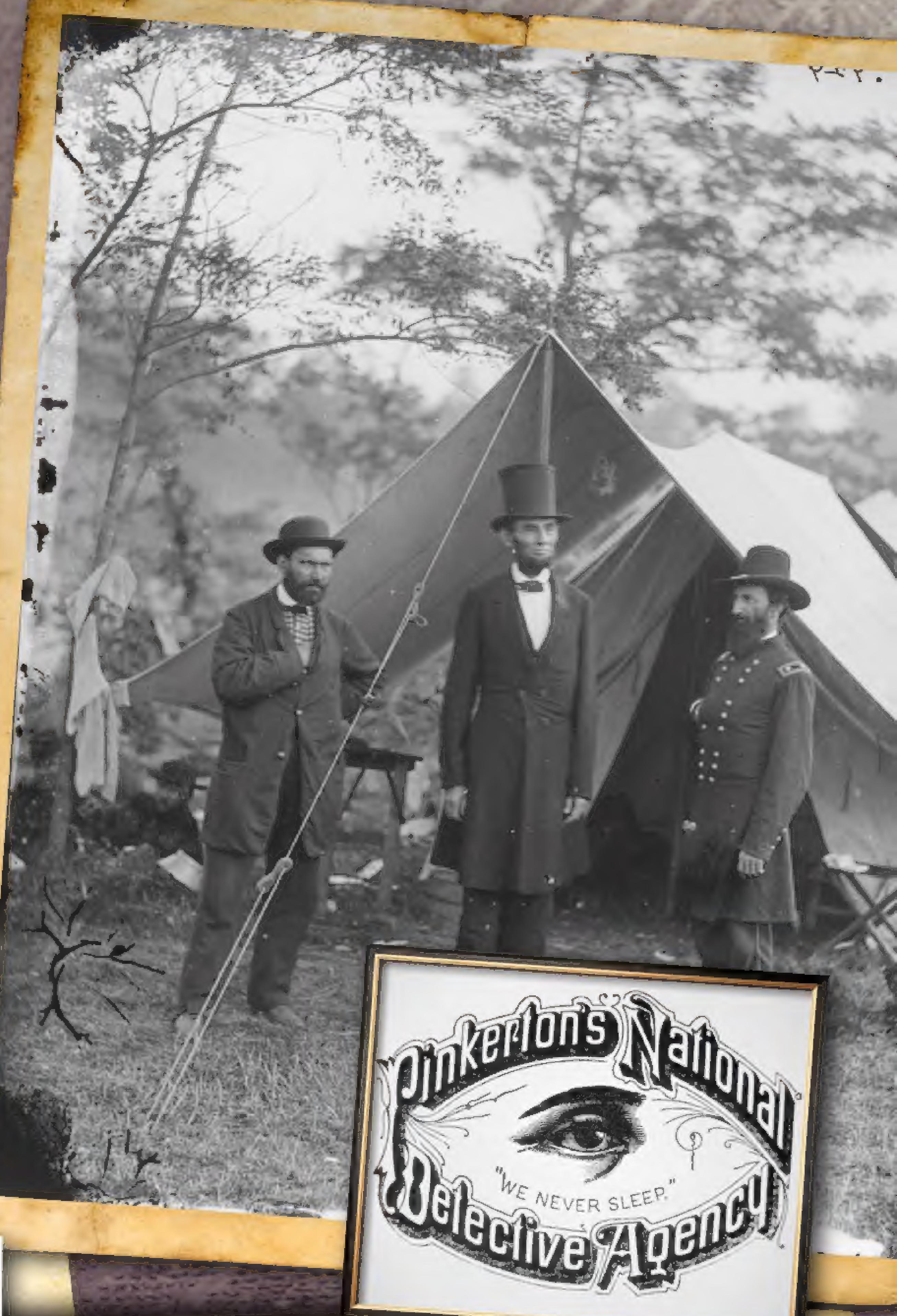
THE ORIGINAL PRIVATE EYES

Founded in 1850 by Allan Pinkerton – an immigrant barrel-maker turned Chicago police detective – the PINKERTON NATIONAL DETECTIVE AGENCY was one of America's most notorious crime-prevention and private security firms of the late nineteenth century.

Though Pinkerton initially specialized in train robberies and counterfeiting cases, after foiling a plot to assassinate Abraham Lincoln – who would later hire the agency as his personal 'secret service' during the American Civil War – the fledgling enterprise garnered a reputation as America's go-to office for counter-intelligence and security operations. By the early 1870s it had grown into the largest private law enforcement organization in the world.



THE HOMESTEAD RIOT.—DRAWN BY W. P. SNYDER AFTER A PHOTOGRAPH BY DABBS, PITTSBURG.—[SEE PAGE 578.]



Adhering to a strict code of ethics and defined by its striking company logo (the supposed inspiration of the term 'private eye'), at its heyday, the Pinkerton agency had more agents under its employ than the standing US army and, using its extensive collection of mugshots, established the world's first criminal database. Frequently subcontracted for espionage operations by the US government, the agency also remained a favorite of the railroad companies, gaining legendary status for its role in the hunt and capture of outlaws like Wild Bill and Jesse James. But, as the century drew to a close and ownership passed to Allan's sons, Robert and William, the agency's public perception would take a turn for the worse.

Pinkerton's involvement with the labor strikes of the 1890s would ultimately prove their downfall. The company's past use of heavy-handed tactics, coupled with accusations of violence from union sympathisers, soon led to public outcry, culminating in the events of the Homestead Strike of 1892 when a firefight involving 300 Pinkerton agents led to the death of 16 men. Pinkerton's reputation was left in tatters and the company would spend years struggling to rebuild it.

Nevertheless, the Pinkerton agency endured, and today Pinkerton Inc. has grown into a billion dollar multinational organization, remaining one of the world's leading providers of security.

